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OF

Seventy-Sixth Annual Convention

OF

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

OF

NEBRASKA

OF

The United Lutheran Church in America

Held In

Trinity Lutheran Church

Sidney, Nebraska

The Reverend H. T. Monnich, Pastor

April 5, 6, 7, 1948

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ROLL OF SYNOD

Pastor	Address	Year Ordained	Ent. Synod	Parish
Anderson, P. O., Spencer, Nebr.		1945	1944	United, Spencer
*Baltzly, O. D., Ph.D., D.D., LL.D., 2602 Farnam, Omaha		1896	1911	Pastor Emeritus Kountze Memorial, Omaha
Bartels, Raymond, Gurley		1946	1945	Grace, Gurley; Trinity, Dalton—Fred Kriesel
Clark, Harvey, 7103 Mine Lusa Ave. Omaha		1935	1947	Redeemer, Omaha—V. B. Elseffer
Cordts, H. C., Wilber		1926	1925	First, Wilber—Guy Eis*
Cress, F. L., Allen		1928	1936	First, Allen—Harold Durant*
Davis, R. V., 406 S. 9th, Nebraska City		1930	1929	First, Nebraska City—Carl Peters*
*Daubenspeck, W. M.		1929	1929	Chaplain, U.S.A.
de Freese, P., Hooper		1943	1942	Grace, Hooper—John Wollmer
*Delo, F. S., 1024 S. 9th, Lincoln		1894	1928	Retired
Delbeer, Martin L. Jr., 2602 Farnam, Omaha		1945	1945	Ass't. Pastor Kountze Memorial, Omaha
*Dorner, E. A.		1929	1929	Chaplain, U.S.A.
Dumler, H., Davenport		1926	1925	Christ, Davenport—Claude Corman
*Estrada, D., So. America		1931	1931	Missionary
Frederick, P. W. H., D. D., 1653 N. Colson, Fremont		1900	1931	Professor at Western Seminary
Gigstad, K., Leigh		1941	1940	St. John's, Leigh—R. B. Jenny
Goede, H. J., 1317 S. 26 St., Omaha		1930	1938	Grace, Omaha—Howard Nelson*
Guss, W. I., D. D., 127 N. 40th, Omaha 3		1899	1919	Retired
Harman, C. B., D. D., 225 East Ashton, Grand Island		1900	1909	Retired
*Hartwig, G. H., 625 N. Clarkson, Fremont		1901	1941	Professor at Midland College
Heidenreich, W. C., Oshkosh		1906	1928	St. Mark's, Oshkosh; Grace, Lewellen—Albert Quelle***, Harry Tilgner*
Henkel, F. W., Auburn		1926	1938	St. Paul's, Auburn—W. W. Kuenning
Hershey, J. C., DD., 304 W. 20th, Falls City, Nebr.		1917	1917	St. Paul's, Falls City
***Hieronymus, W. P., Ph.D., Fremont		1921	1946	President of Midland College
*Holz, Wm. A., So. America		1931	1931	Missionary
Jacobs, John, Scribner		1946	1946	United, Scribner; Emmanuel, Snyder
*Joens, H., Dakota City		1929	1929	Salem, Dakota City; St. Paul's Homer; Trinity, Hubbard; Emmanuel, Dakota City Richard Beerman*, Louis Jeppesen*, H. T. VandeZedde*
*Kahse, W. T., D.D., 1909 East Main, Enid, Oklahoma		1905	1912	Retired
Kern, F. W., 325 E. 10th, Fremont		1927	1946	Salem, Fremont—Henry Heald
Klink, W. A., D. D., York		1917	1917	First, York—Harold Woehner
Krebs, George P., West Point, Nebr.		1934	1946	First, McCool Jnctn—Wilbur Norquist Grace, West Point—Carl Weitzenkamp
Lesher, L. H., D. D., 847 S. 14th, Lincoln		1921	1939	Retired
*Magalee, P. A., British Guiana, So. Am.		1938	1938	Grace, Lincoln—D. L. Tyrrell
*Mendenhall, G. N., D.D., Ph.D., Sterling, Kansas		11908	1922	Missionary
Messer, J. E., S. T. M., 221 E. 21st, South Sioux City, Nebraska		1932	1943	Professor
***Miller, J. C., Verdon		1915	1928	First, So. Sioux City—Arthur Johansen* St. Mark's, Verdon—C. F. Werner* Trinity Stella—Emil Nomballis***

***Moenich, H. T., 10th Ave. & Linden, Sidney	1933	1945	Trinity, Sidney—Phillip Crantz
*Moeller, G. E., 1827 Jefferson St., Duluth, Minn.	1932	1932	
Mortensen, E. C., Paxton	1920	1920	Grace Sutherland, Trinity Paxton—John Schmidt
Mortensen, G. E., 214 N. 9th, Beatrice	1920	1920	Trinity, Beatrice—Geo. W. Stevens*
Most, W. F., 5211 Seward, Omaha	1931	1943	Luther Memorial, Omaha—Otto Nelson
**Matzkus, W.	1913	1940	In secular work
Mumm, Harry, 1643 N. Nye Ave., Fremont	1944	1943	Instructor, Western Seminary
Olson, Carl J., Stamford	1911	1944	Trinity, Stamford—John Rosenbrock
*Petersen, Erich C., Ponca	1931	1945	Salem, Ponca—Harley Bosoman*
Pfeiffer, R. R., Emerson	1929	1943	St. Luke's, Emerson—I. G. Enke*
Pinkall, A. H., 3931 S. 23rd, Omaha	1930	1930	St. Luke's, Omaha—W. A. Heuer
Rohlfing, E. F.	1935	1934	
Rupley, J. B., D. D., 1321 W. 2nd, Grand Island	1916	1941	St. Paul's, Grand Island—Henry Obermeier
Rupley, J. B., Jr., 311 W. 5th, North Platte	1942	1941	First, North Platte—J. W. Voselpka
Rupley, Kendig, Hampton	1947	1946	Emmanuel, Hampton—Will Hahle*
Shiery, J. H. M., 2222 16th St. Columbus	1945	1944	United, Columbus—Fred Detmer*
*Shirck, Robert, Mt. Airy Seminary	1945	1944	Post-graduate work
Shirck, John, Walton, Walton, Eagle & Walton	1947	1946	Trinity, Eagle
Schuldt, T. J. C., 419 Pearl, Wayne	1936	1936	St. Paul's, Wayne—Ole Nelson
***Simon, M. B., Broadwater, Nebr.	1937	1948	Messiah, Broadwater—Stanley T. Olson
Switzer, Ernest, Benedict	1944	1943	Zion, Benedict—Fred W. Lledtke*
Traub, W. H., D. D., LL.D., 2602 Farnam, Omaha	1913	1931	Kountze Memorial, Omaha—Paul Palmquist
Wiegman, P., Tekamah	1940	1940	Emmanuel, Tekamah; St. John's, Vacoma—S. A
*Wise, W. G., Lutheran Children's Home, Fremont	1933	1946	Supervisor
*Wood, E. G., Chirala Guntur, India	1929	1929	Missionary
Young, A. W., 2547 N. 62nd, Omaha	1926	1944	First Eng. Lutheran, Omaha—Dave Jensen
Vacant (Supplied by Dr. Harman)			Trinity, Wolbach
Vacant (Reg. Supply, Kimball, ALC Rev. Ries)			First, Potter—Carl Johnson***,
Vacant (Reg. Supply-Seminary)			Immanuel, Bellevue
United Services			St. Paul's, Hardy—Donald Van Ornam
Vacant (Reg. Supply-Seminary)			First, Rising City—Pearl C. Hillegas

* Absent and Excused.
** Absent and Not Excused.
*** Absent part time and Excused.

Calendar for 1949

Place of Synod: Christ Lutheran Church, Davenport, Nebraska.

Time: April 25, 26, 27, 1949.

Synodical Sermon: President of Synod.

Ordination Sermon: Rev. E. C. Mortensen. Alternate, Rev. L. H. Lesher, D. D.

Chaplain: Rev. Harvey Clark. Alternate, Rev. R. V. Davis.

Chorister: Rev. W. F. Most.

Organist: Rev. H. J. Goede.

MINUTES

OF THE

Seventy-Sixth Annual Convention of The

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

HELD IN

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sidney, Nebraska

APRIL 5, 6, 7, 1948

Monday Evening **April 5, 1948.**

8:00 P. M.

The Seventy-Sixth Annual Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska convened in Trinity Lutheran Church, Sidney, Nebraska, the Rev. H. T. Monnich, Pastor. on Monday evening, April 5, 1948, at 8 o'clock.

The Preparatory and Holy Communion Services were conducted by the President and the Secretary of Synod, and the Rev. H. T. Monnich. The Rev. J. C. Hershey, D.D., President of Synod, preached the Communion Sermon from the text I Corinthians 3:9. "We are workers together with God."

Tuesday Morning **April 6, 1948.**

8:45 A. M.

The Matins Service was conducted by the Chaplain of Synod. Special music was furnished by the Synodical choir.

The formal opening of Synod was conducted by President J. C. Hershey.

The roll of Synod was called, forty-three pastors and twenty-four lay delegates being present.

The Report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel was presented by Pastor Raymond Bartels. The following items were recommended:

1. Report of Midland College and Western Seminary Trustees to be given at this session, 10:45 A. M.
2. Report of the Committee on Constitution to be given at 3 P. M. on Wednesday.
3. The bar of Synod to include all except the last pew in each section.
4. Time for opening and closing of sessions as stated in the printed program. These recommendations were acted upon as follows: 1. Adopted. 2. A motion carried that the Report of the Committee on Constitution be presented following the President's Report. 3. Adopted. 4. Adopted.

The Rev. M. B. Simon, having received a call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Broadwater, Nebr., and coming from the Iowa Synod, was formally received into the membership of the Synod.

Dr. J. C. Hershey presented his Report as President of Synod.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

"Grace be to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

"I Thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you. . . . thankful for your partnership in the Gospel from the first day until now. . . . And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent. . . . filled with the fruits of righteousness which come through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God." Phil. 1:2-11.

With grateful hearts we return to Trinity Lutheran Church, Sidney, Nebraska for an annual convention of our beloved Synod. Many of the pleasant memories linger in our hearts of the last time we met with these good people. While we seek their kind hospitality we, in a small and humble way, may impart spiritual blessings which will linger with them for many years to come.

The past year has been an interesting one, full of tremendous responsibilities. With the help of all of you the burden has been made lighter and the work of the Lord has continued to go forward.

Sorrow came to one of our family during the year. Mrs. Amelia Messall Kahse departed for heavenly home May 28, 1947. Mrs. Kahse with her husband, Dr. W. T. Kahse, served in the Sidney parish faithfully for many years. They retired from active congregational work in November 1945 after which they moved to Enid, Oklahoma where she spent the last days of her life in peace and quietness until the final call came. The sympathy of the entire Synod goes out to Dr. W. T. Kahse and other members of the family.

The statistician's report reveals progress in almost every branch of our Synod's work. Membership gains, while not large, show that we are marching on to greater heights in the Lord's work.

St. Paul's Hildreth transferred to the Synod of one Mid-West and St. Mark's Omaha disbanded. The members of St. Mark's have, in almost every instance, united with other U. L. C. A. churches in Omaha.

OFFICIAL ACTS

Resignations

May 1, 1947, York-McCool, Rev. J. B. Rupley, Jr.
October 15, 1947, Falls City, Rev. H. C. Cordts.
November 15, 1947, West Point, Dr. W. A. Klink.

Calls Accepted

May 1, 1947, Hampton, Rev. Kendig W. Rupley.
May 1, 1947, Walton-Eagle, John K. Shirck.

May 1, 1947, Redeemer, Omaha, Rev. Harvey Clark.
May 1, 1947, North Platte, Rev. J. B. Rupley, Jr.
October 15, 1947, Wilber, Rev. H. C. Cordts.
November 15, 1947, York-McCool, Dr. W. A. Klink.
November 15, 1947, Broadwater, Rev. M. B. Simon.

Ordinations

April 15, 1947, Kendig Rupley, Grand Island
April 15, 1947, John Kahle Shirck, Omaha.
April 15, 1947, Marvin E. Suhr, Fremont.
April 15, 1947, Harold E. Hamilton, Omaha.

Dismissals

May 12, 1947, to the Iowa Synod, Marvin E. Suhr.
June 18, 1947, to Pacific Synod, Harold E. Hamilton.

Vacancies

Rising City is being supplied very efficiently by Dr. E. Bryan Kiestler, professor in Western Seminary.

Dakota City, Immanuel continues to hold occasional services with Dr. W. I. Guss as the supply pastor.

Homer-Hubbard continues to be supplied very efficiently by Rev. H. Joens from Dakota City.

Potter is being supplied by Rev. W. Gies, a pastor of the American Lutheran Church.

Wolbach is under the care of Dr. C. B. Harman of Grand Island and continues to grow with his efficient services.

Falls City has called the president of Synod, Dr. J. C. Hershey, who will resign from the presidency at this meeting of Synod to become effective as soon as the new president takes office.

West Point is in the process of calling a pastor.

Bellevue has been vacant for some time. Dr. Rinde, dean of the Western Seminary, has been giving this congregation good care. This parish is becoming an important field for a church.

Installations

May 4, 1947, Rev. Harvey Clark, Church of Our Redeemer, Omaha
May 18, 1947, Rev. P. O. Anderson, Spencer.
June 22, 1947, Rev. Kendig Rupley, Hampton.
June 29, 1947, Rev. John B. Rupley, Jr. by his father Dr. J. B Rupley, Sr., North Platte.
July 27, 1947, John K. Shirck, Walton-Eagle.
January 18, 1948, Rev. M. B. Simon, Broadwater.
January 25, 1948, Rev. H. C. Cordts, Wilber.

Dedications

West Point. The entire church was redecorated and a service of rededication was held June 8, 1947. The president of Synod

preached the sermon and performed the act of rededication. The pastor, Dr. W. A. Klink had charge of the service.

Verdon. The new basement was dedicated June 15, 1947. A communion service was administered in the morning. In the afternoon Dr. T. D. Rinde, dean of Western Seminary and a former pastor and Dr. J. C. Hershey, president of Synod delivered messages. The act of dedication was conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Miller.

Wayne. August 31, 1947 a very fine pipe organ was dedicated by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Schuldt. Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, a former pastor and Dr. J. C. Hershey, president of Synod, delivered messages appropriate for the occasion. Many other improvements have been added.

Spencer. A fine basement built for added Sunday School space and recreational purposes has been constructed under the church. Dr. J. C. Hershey spoke at the dedication service and performed the act of dedication. Another bed room has been added to the parsonage.

Men's Memorial Hall, Midland College. This new building which is a credit to any College was dedicated September 14, 1947. Dr. J. C. Hershey acted as chairman of the committee for the occasion. Dr. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph. D., D. D., delivered the address. Rev. W. W. Klover, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Salina, Kansas, spoke in behalf of the World War Veterans. More than six hundred persons attended.

Mortgage Burning

Omaha, St. Luke's. April 27, 1947 a large congregation gathered at St. Luke's church to witness the burning of the final mortgage. This beautiful property is now debt free. Speakers for the occasion were Dr. Ralph Livers and Dr. O. W. Ebright, both former pastors. The president of Synod brought greetings from the Synod.

Anniversary

Dakota City, Salem. December 7, 1947 this congregation celebrated its seventy-fifth anniversary. The president of Synod was the speaker for the day. A new pulpit was dedicated by the pastor, Rev. H. Joens. New pews will be installed later in honor of the occasion.

Seventy-fifth Anniversary of Synod

At the 1946 convention of Synod a committee was appointed to plan a special program for the seventy-fifth convention. The committee appointed was Drs. J. C. Hershey, C. B. Harman, W. T. Kahse, P. W. H. Frederick and Rev. F. W. Kern.

The anniversary banquet was held Wednesday evening, April the 16th. Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, president of the United Lutheran Church was the principle speaker. Dr. C. B. Harman presented an interesting history of the growth and development of Synod during

its seventy five years. Governor Val Peterson brought greetings from the state. Official representatives from other Lutheran bodies were presented and recognized. The Midland College orchestra and choir furnished music.

Five hundred and forty-six plates were served in the Fremont auditorium by Mr. John Petrow. It proved to be one of the greatest and finest events ever planned by Synod, and will long be remembered by all who attended.

Miscellaneous Events

Ten Rural Conferences were held in various parts of the state under the auspices of the National Lutheran Council. Seven of these conferences were held in Nebraska Synod churches. It is estimated that about seven hundred persons attended.

Dr. Paul C. Empie, director for the National Lutheran Council, met with the directors of Synod and offered two speakers, Rev. Frank Brown, who spent one year in the British Zone in Germany distributing relief, and pastor Heinreich Falk, pastor of a large congregation in Frankfurt, Germany during the war. Literature, letters, telegrams all helped to increase the contributions of Synod to 78% of its quota.

The Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska demands our prayerful consideration. For this year Child Welfare is being channeled through Tabitha Home in cooperaton with the Mid-West Synod. Institutional chaplaincies also demands our attention. So far our Synod has not appropriated anything for this work.

Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton, executive secretary of the Laymen's Movement for Stewardship spoke at nine rallies in the state. Representatives from both the Mid-West and Nebraska Synods attended.

Your president and pastor E. C. Mortensen were invited to attend a conference on Pensions and Relief in Chicago July 15, 1947. Dr. Thomas Cline, promotional secretary for Pensions and Relief gave instruction as the promotion of the plan in all Synods. November 1, 1947 81% of Nebraska Synod pastors entered the Contributory Pension plan.

Three times during the year the presidents of all supporting Synods of Midland College and Western Seminary met to make plans for separating the two institutions. The report will be considered during this convention.

Your president taught a class of High School students at the Luther League Camp during the week of August 17th. He attended most of the Midland Assembly sessions, extended Synodical greetings to the Women's Missionary Convention and has acted on the following committees: Lutheran Welfare Council in Nebraska, Child Welfare and Placement, Nebraska Regional Lutheran Home Mission Council, and attended many of the committee meetings of the various committees of Synod. He delivered 72 sermons, attended 36 Church Council meetings, was present at 17 congregational meetings, delivered two addresses at the Western Seminary and attended a Life and Work Conference meeting in Maywood, Illinois with the chairman of the committee, Rev. Paul Wiegman. He met with 82 individuals for personal counseling.

Recommendations

That we give a good account of our stewardship

1. By raising the 200% apportioned benevolence this year.
2. By raising 100% of our quota for Lutheran World Action.
3. By completing in every congregation the quota for Midland College according to the action taken last year.
4. By entering whole heartedly into Christian Evangelism as planned by the Board of Social Missions, accepting their offer to supervise the campaign.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. HERSHEY.

The Report of the Committee on Constitution was presented by Dr. J. B. Rupley. The proposed new constitution was submitted for consideration. Motions carried as follows:

1. That Article VI, Section 2, Item 5, page 13, be deleted from the proposed constitution.
2. That we accept Article IV, page 9, as it is printed.
3. That Article I, Section 1, be adopted.
4. A motion carried that this proposed new constitution together with the Report of the Committee on Constitution be adopted as a whole. (The proposed Constitution being "A Suggested Constitution For Constituent Synods of The United Lutheran Church in America"—1939.-

Dr. J. C. Hershey formally presented his resignation as President of Synod to become effective when the new President takes office. A motion carried that the resignation of President Hershey be accepted.

The first ballot was taken for President.

The Report of the Trustees of Midland College and Western Seminary was presented by Dr. J. B. Rupley. Dr. W. P. Hieronymus, President of Midland College and Western Seminary, spoke on this Report. Dr. P. W. H. Frederick spoke in behalf of Western Theological Seminary.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for President. There was no election.

The Recommendations of the Trustees of Midland College and Western Seminary were acted upon as follows: 1. Adopted. 2. Adopted. 3. Adopted. 4. A motion carried that the Report be adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF MIDLAND COLLEGE AND WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Trustees

For

The Year 1947-48

MIDLAND COLLEGE.

God has been exceedingly good to Midland in permitting her to serve the Church and the youth in this part of our country for 60 years. The 61st year was begun on September 8, 1947. The spirit of the students and faculty is excellent. By general acclaim the morale of the entire College family is higher than it has been for several years.

I. 60TH ANNIVERSARY AND DEDICATION OF MEN'S MEMORIAL HALL

On September 14 we were permitted by God's grace to celebrate the 60th Annversary of Midland's founding and to dedicate our magnificent new men's dormitory, Men's Memorial Hall. Approximately 600 friends of Midland from far and near made their appearance. Dr. Charles B. Foelsch of our Chicago Lutheran Seminary was the anniversary speaker and an alumnus and former chaplain, the Rev. William W. Klover of Salina, Kansas, gave the dedicatory address. The Chairman of the Board, Mr. Henry Gunderson, performed the rite of dedication. Midland is fortunate in having a fine, cultured, Christian woman, namely, Mrs. G. Keller Rubrecht, serving as Housemother for the 134 men in the dormitory.

II. OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION FOR 1947-48

The officers for the corporate Board are: President, Mr. Henry A. Gunderson, Fremont, Nebraska; Vice President, the Rev. W. W. Klover, Salina, Kansas; Secretary, the Rev. A. W. Young, Omaha, Nebraska; Treasurer, Mr. Clinton J. Miller, Fremont, Nebraska.

III. OFFICERS OF THE COLLEGE

Officers of the College are: President, Dr. W. P. Hieronymus; Dean, Prof. Herman Gimmestad; Treasurer, Mr. Clinton J. Miller.

IV. ENROLLMENT

Our Registrar reports a total first semester enrollment of 468—449 day-time and 19 evening students. The men greatly outnumber the women, almost two to one. The number of veterans is 168. The Lutheran percentage of the student body is the same as last year, namely, 56%. This is the second highest rating in the U. L. C. A. We have 38 young men who are preparing for the holy ministry. In spite of the fact that we recently commissioned one of our women graduates as a missionary to British Guiana and sent three others girls to the Baltimore Motherhouse to train for the office of Deaconess, we have 10 other young women who are preparing themselves for full-time Church work. We are constantly endeavoring to present to our students the claims of Christ and of His

Church upon them. Sixteen states and two foreigin countries are represented in the student body.

With the 253 enrolled in the 1947 Summer Session the grand total enrollment is 721 students. This number has been augmented by the 30 new students who have entered at the beginning of the second semester.

V. OUR STAFF

Following are the new members added to the staff this year: Dr. John W. Tait, Ph. D., professor of history; Rev. A. C. Baughman, candidate for M. A. degree, assistant professor of Christianity and Chaplain; Mr. Richard Moenter, M. A., assistant professor of mathematics; Mr. William Congreve, M. M., instructor in piano and organ; Miss Gertrude Gilbert, M. A., instructor in business; Mr. Richard Lundin, instructor in physics; Miss Maria M. Rosenblatt, Dresden, Germany, instructor in French and German; Mr. John Van Riper, instructor in journalism and director of public relations; Miss Priscilla Wilson, M. M., instructor in piano and voice; Mrs. Norma Rubrecht, housemother in Men's Memorial Hall. New part-time instructors are: Mrs. G. E. Hickman, part-time instructor in English; Rev. Paul Moessner, M. A., part-time instructor in Bible.

It was necessary for Mrs. Sara Hawkinson to request a semester's leave of absence because of ill health. We are glad to say that she is able to teach again the second semester. Mr. James Weblemoe is on leave of absence at the University of Nebraska working for his master's degree in physics. Prof. Ralph Hankey is back with us after spending a strenuous year in graduate work in French and Spanish at the University of Chicago. During the past summer Mr. Edwin Prauner received from the University of Iowa the master's degree in business administration, and Mr. G. E. Hickman was honored by the University of Oregon by having the degree of doctor of education conferred upon him.

VI. ACADEMIC STANDING

On October 18 President Hieronymus received a letter from Dr. Snavely, the Executive Secretary of the **Association of American Colleges**, in which he stated: "It gives me pleasure to inform you that at the fall meeting of our Board of Directors last week, your institution was approved for membership." Several weeks ago President Hieronymus also received an invitation from Dr. Zook, President of the **American Council on Education**, extending to Midland "a cordial invitation" to membership in the Council. Accreditation by the **North Central Association** makes Midland eligible for membership in the above-named organization. Our College cannot help but gain in numerous ways from membership in such important national educational groups. The administration is definitely committed constantly to raise the academic, as well as the spiritual, standing of our college.

VII. OPERATIONAL FINANCES

Fiscal Year Ending August 24, 1947

RECEIPTS

Educational and General	$ 99,469.38	
Endowment Investments	7,267.27	
Gifts and Grants	68,379.87	
Sales and Service	3,130.71	
Other Income	1,587.50	
Auxiliary Enterprises	106,917.58	
Total Receipts		$286,743.31

EXPENSES

Educational and General			
Administration	$41,498.88		
Instruction	95,684.10		
Library	7,749.23		
Plant and Maintenance	27,528.46		
Service Rendered	2,771.70	$175,232.37	
Auxiliary Enterprises		103,196.46	
Other Non-Ed. Expenses		3,826.34	
Total Expenses			$282,255.37
Operating Surplus			4,487.94

In spite of the greatly increased rise of operational expenses we were enabled to close our books at the end of the last fiscal year with a net operating surplus of $4,487.94.

For the present year it appears that the Board of Education will continue the grant of $21,000. Midland will this year again be the beneficiary of the Fremont Community Chest in the amount of $5,000.

We are grateful for the increased interest and splendid support from the Nebraska Synod.

In view of the rising cost of all items necessary for living (at least 60%), the necessity of raising the salaries of our staff members, of making extensive depression-neglected repairs and improvements, and of purchasing better equipment we respectfully urge the Nebraska Synod to raise its annual apportionment from $1.30 to $1.40 per communing member.

VIII FORWARD MIDLAND CAMPAIGN

The total amount the Synods have sent in to Midland so far is $169,379.45 or 75% of the $225,000 goal. The congregations of the Nebraska Synod have to date (Jan. 27, 1948) remitted $53,833.30 or 97% of Synod's quota of $55,288.50. Twenty-seven Nebraska Synod churches are on the honor roll having reached or exceeded their goals. We are confident that the Nebraska Synod will rise to its full stature and will raise the entire amount for which it has obligated itself.

In view of the need, a number of congregations, organizations, and indviduals are sending in extra gifts over and above their quotas to help furnish rooms ($100 will furnish a boy's room; $85 will cover the cost of a pew in the small dormitory chapel). We deeply appreciate this additional expression of devotion and good will, and welcome such gifts.

IX. CHRISTIAN EMPHASIS

For the purpose of deepening the students' Christian faith and life, Midland annually observes Christian Emphasis Week. During October 21-24 we were privileged to have as our chapel speaker the President of the California Synod, Dr. James P. Beasom, Jr. He also spoke to other groups and held many individual conferences.

On March 2 and 3 a Christian Careers Conference was held on the Campus under the sponsorship of the Church Board of Education. Rev. Harold Letts, the new Director of Social Action of the Board of Social Missions, and Miss Mildred Winston, Associate Secretary of the Board of Education, were the effective leaders. The purpose of the conference was to present the claims to our youth and to induce them to serve Him and the Church in and through their vocations.

WESTERN SEMINARY

For the first time in its history Western Theological Seminary now has four full-time professors, or one at the head of each of the major departments of instruction. Dr. E. B. Keisler is the new professor of practical theology. Rev. Harry Mumm, who has spent a year in graduate work at Bibical Seminary, New York, is substituting this year for Prof. R. R. Syre who is on leave of absence working toward his Ph. D. at the University of Nebraska. The Seminary now also has a full-time custodian and a housemother.

Fourteen young men are enrolled. Several are doing interne work in congregations. The sizeable group of pre-theologs at Midland College augurs well for a larger enrollment in the Seminary in the immediate future. In view of the great shortage of pastors, however, let every pastor make it a point to present the cause of the Gospel Ministry to the promising young men of his congregation.

This year's Life Service Retreat during the Thanksgiving recess was very successful. Twenty-five senior high school lads from numerous congregations were in attendance. It is hoped that God will put it into the hearts of many of these young men to prepare themselves for the ministry. The effective main speaker was Dr. H. J. McGuire of Elgin, Illinois. One of our returned missionaries from India and Africa, Rev. Ray Cunningham, presented the opportunities in mission work.

As a result of the vote of the Synods, Western Theological Seminary will soon be organized as an institution separate and distinct from Midland College. This separation may be legally effected by September 1949. It is hoped that this move will result in materially strenghtening our Seminary. The Board of Education of the U. L. C. was requested by the Midland Board of Trustees to assume

the interim supervision and management of the Seminary as soon as feasible.

MIDLAND'S NEEDS

They are numerous in a growing, dynamic institution, but we shall here list the immediate, urgent ones.

1. **An Electric Organ.** A number of gifts have already been sent in for this much needed instrument. It would enchance the beauty of our chapel services and enable us to give pipe organ lessons to our students. Gifts have been received and are solicted from interested congregations, organizations and individuals.

2. **A Financial Secretary.** In view of the increased cost of operating a growing college the right kind of person in this office would be "worth his weight in gold."

3. **Increased Financial Income** to maintain a dynamic, modern educational institution.

4. **An athletic field** adjacent to the campus for soft ball, tennis field hockey and the like.

5. **Buildings.** Wings on Beegle Hall, a Library Building, a Chapel, a Student Union, and a President's Residence.

In conclusion, we thank you brethren of the Nebraska Synod most sincerely for your deep interest in our College and Seminary, for the fine young men and women you are sending as students, and for your loyal support. Will you join us in our prayer that Midland and Western may continue with increasing effectiveness to be beacon lights shedding the rays of enlightened Christianity into the darkness of the world.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we continue to most earnestly pray that God may richly bless Midland College and Western Seminary that they may render an even greater service in His Kingdom and grant the leaders in these instituitions wisdom and strength for the tasks that are entrusted to them.

2. That we shall not cease our efforts in the Midland Forward Campaign until the goal of a completed obligation is realized.

3. That Midland College and Western Seminary be placed upon the Synodical apportionment for the coming year in the amount of $1.40 per communing member.

Respectfully submitted,

Your Trustees

Dr. Gould Wickey, Executive Secretary of the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America, spoke to Synod concerning "the Proposed Constitution of Central Lutheran Theological Seminary which will be the legal successor of Western Seminary of Midland College at Fremont, Nebraska." The Committee

on Separation of Midland College and Western Seminary presented its recommendation that the constitution be approved. Dr. Wickey continued his presentation, directing his remarks to the recommendation. A motion carried that the propsed constitution be adopted as a whole.

AN OUTLINE OF A PROPOSED CONSTITUTION FOR CENTRAL LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Article I. Name and Place, Purpose and Doctrinal Basis
1. Name and Place
2. Purpose
3. Doctrinal Basis

Article II. Control and Ownership of Property
1. Board of Directors own
2. Board of Directors may buy and sell
3. Other synods may share

Article III. Board of Directors
1. Composition
2. Basis of Representation
3. Election
4. Term of Office
5. Obligation
6. Ex-Officio and Advisory Members
7. Officers
8. Meetings
9. Absences
10. Vacancies
11. Authority
12. Committees

Article IV. Courses of Study and Degrees
1. Curriculum
2. Departments of Instruction
3. Diploma and Degrees

Artiicle V. Officers of Administration
1. President
2. Others
3. Duties

Article VI. Faculty
1. Composition
2. Election
3. Declaration of Faith
4. Repetition of Declaration of Faith
5. Power

Article VII. Students
1. Admission
2. Matriculation

Article VIII. Amendments and By-Laws
1. Amendments
2 By-Laws
3. Former regulations repealed

THE CONSTITUTION

Article I. Name and Location, Purpose and Doctrinal Basis

Section 1. The name and corporate title of this institution shall be

CENTRAL LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

located at Fremont, Nebraska. This Central Lutheran Theological Seminary is the legal successor of Western Theological Seminary of Midland College, at Fremont, Nebraska.

Section 2. The purpose of this institution shall be to train men for the Christian ministry, especially for the Lutheran Church, and to train men and women on the graduate level for leadership in other spheres of the Church's program or of other Christian service.

Section 3. The doctrinal basis of this Seminary shall be identical with and its teachings shall be in harmony with the following doctrinal statement:

(a) This Seminary receives and holds the canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the inspired Word of God, and as the only infallible rule and standard of faith and practice, according to which all doctrines and teachers are to be judged.

(b) This Seminary accepts the three ecumenical creeds: namely, the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian, as important testimonies drawn from the Holy Scriptures, and rejects all errors which they condemn.

(c) This Seminary receives and holds the Unaltered Augsburg Confession and the Small Catechism of Luther as a correct exhibition of the faith and doctrine of the evangelical Lutheran Church, founded upon the Word of God.

(d) This Seminary recognizes the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Smalkald Articles, the Large Catechism of Luther, and the Formula of Concord, as in harmony of one and the same pure Scriptural faith.

Article II. Control and Ownership of Property

Section 1. The property of this Corporation, both real and personal, shall be forever held by the Board of Directors in trust for and under the guidance of such synods of the United Lutheran Church in America and such other Lutheran bodies as agree to enter into corporate relationship in this institution.

Section 2. The Board of Directors of said Corporation shall have power to receive, hold, control, buy, sell and deed real and personal property.

Section 3. Synods or other Lutheran bodies may be included in the benefits and provisions of this Corporation by joint action of the Synods concerned and the United Lutheran Church in America, provided that such synods or bodies assume the responsibilities, moral and financial, which are involved in Sections 1 and 2 of this Article.

Article III Board of Directors

Section 1. Composition. The Seminary shall be governed and controlled by a Board of Directors, which also shall be the Board of

Trustees of the Corporation, consisting of not fewer than eight nor more than twenty elected members in addition to the presidents of supporting synods or bodies who shall be the ex officio members. Each director must be a member in good and regular standing of a congregation in a constituent synod of the United Lutheran Church in America, or in any other Lutheran body, which synod or body contributes to the financial support of the Seminary. No faculty member or salaried employee of the Seminary may be a member of the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Basis of Representation. The number of directors allocated to each synod or body shall be determined by concurrent action of the synods or bodies concerned.

Section 3. Election. All directors shall be elected by the supporting synods or bodies. The Board of Directors shall approve or disapprove the election by vote.

Section 4. Term of Office. The term of office of an elected member of the Board of Directors shall be four years. The Directors shall be so elected that the terms of one-fourth of their numbers shall expire each year, so far as may be possible.

Section 5. Obligation of Board Members. Every member of the Board of Directors, before taking office, shall make the following declaration:

> I approve the purpose of Central Lutheran Theological Seminary. I confess as my own its doctrinal basis set forth in the Constitution. I pledge myself to support these principles and faithfully to perform every duty enjoined upon me as a director of this Seminary in accordance with its Charter, Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 6. Ex-officio and Advisory Members. The ex-officio members shall not be eligible to hold office in either the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee. The Board of Directors shall receive in the capacity of advisory members, the President of the Seminary, and any faculty members who may be invited.

Section 7. Officers. The officers of the Board shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. They shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Board and shall hold office until their respective successors are elected and qualify. The Treasurer may or may not be a member of the Board, and may be a banking institution. The Officers of the Board shall function as the representatives of the Seminary in law. An Attorney for the Board of Directors shall be elected as may be necessary, who may sit in meetings as an advisor.

Section 8. Meetings. Two regular meetings shall be held each year at such time and place as may be determined by the By-Laws. A majority of the elected members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for any meeting.

Section 9. Absences. If any member of the Board shall be absent from three consecutive meetings without a valid excuse, a report shall be made to the Executive Committee of the electing body.

Section 10. Vacancies. In case of a vacancy, the executive committee of the electing synod or body shall appoint a member ad in-

terim, until the synod or body fills the vacancy by an election at its next meeting.

Section 11. Authority. The Board of Directors shall have the general supervision, control, and power to direct all the affairs of the institution, among which are, especially: Receiving and disbursing of funds; purchasing, selling and conveying of real estate and all other property of whatsoever nature; providing for the administration of its funds and the care of its property; designating the number of professors required in the Seminary, and fixing their salaries; electing a President and professors and instructors, but only after consultation with the president and the professors and associate professors, and, if possible, with their full approval; receiving reports of administrative officers and recommendations from the faculty, and making all necessary regulations for the efficient operation of the institution.

Section 12. Committees. There shall be an Executive Committee and such other committees as the Board, from time to time, may deem advisable. The Executive Committee shall consist of seven members of the Board of Directors, including its officers. The President of the Seminary shall be an Advisory Member. The Executive Committee shall act for the Board of Directors in all matters of administration between meetings of the Board, and as it may be directed by the Board.

Article IV. Courses of Study and Degrees

Section 1. The Curriculum. The Seminary shall offer such courses as are commonly found in a standard theological seminary, especially of the Lutheran Church, embracing a period of not less than three years. In addition, the faculty, after approval by the Board of Directors, may organize special courses and graduate courses as may be needed from time to time.

Section 2. The Departments of Instruction. The Departments of Instruction shall be determined by the Board of Directors after the recommendation of the faculty.

Section 3. The Diploma and Degrees. Upon recommendation by the faculty, a diploma of graduation carrying therewith the appropriate degree shall be given on satisfactory completion of a prescribed course of study. Also, upon the recommendation of the Faculty, the Board of Directors may confer the honary degree of Doctor of Divinity upon such persons as may be deemed worthy.

Article V. Officers of Administration

Section 1. The President of the Seminary shall be an ordained minister of the Lutheran Church, and shall be or shall become a member of a supporting synod or body which supports the Seminary. His term of office shall be indefinite.

Section 2. Other administrative officers shall be elected by the the Board upon the recommendation of the President, after conference with the Faculty.

Section 3. The duties of these officers shall be such as usually pertain to their offices and as may be designated in the By-Laws.

Article VI. The Faculty

Section 1. Composition. The Faculty shall consist of the President of the Seminary and the officers of instruction who may be classified as follows: Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors, and Instructors.

Section 2. Election. The Board of Directors shall elect administrative officers and faculty members by written ballot, at any regular or special meeting of the Board, whenever possible after receiving the approval of the professors and associate professors. Two-thirds of the number of ballots cast shall be required for election. The term of office of professors and associate professors shall be indefinite.

Section 3. Declaration of Faith. At the time of their induction the President and the officers of Instruction shall make publicly the following Declaration of Faith:

I believe that the canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the inspired Word of God, and are the only infallible rule and standard of faith and practice, according to which all doctrine and teachers are to be judged.

I accept the three ecumenical creeds; namely, the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian, as important testimonies drawn from the Holy Scriptures, and reject all errors which they condemn.

I believe that the Unaltered Augsburg Confession and the Small Catechism of Luther are a correct exhibition of the faith and doctrine of the evangelical Lutheran Church, founded upon the Word of God.

I recognize that the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Smalkald Articles, the Large Catechism of Luther, and the Formula of Concord, are in harmony with the one and the same pure Scriptural Faith.

I solemnly promise, before Almighty God, that all my teaching shall be in conformity with the Holy Scriptures and with the aforementioned Confessions.

I solemnly promise also that I will be governed by the laws and regulations of this Seminary, and fulfill all the duties therein laid upon me, so long as I remain a member of its faculty.

Section 4. Repetition of Declaration of Faith. The President and teachers shall make written affirmation of this Declaration of Faith at the expiration of every five years, and during the interim if requested to do so by the Board of Directors. If the President or any teacher refuses to do so, his professorial and contractual relationship with the Seminary shall be terminated.

Section 5. Power. The faculty shall govern and control the educational affairs of the institution according to the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws.

Article VII. The Students

Section 1. Admission. This institution shall be open to both men and women who furnish satisfactory evidence that they are members

ing good standing in their respective congregations, that they possess good health and proper attitude for theological study and that they are graduates of a standard college, or have acquired sufficient education and experience, in the judgment of the faculty, to enable them to take a course in theological studies.

Section 2. Matricualtion. At matriculation every student shall make and subscribe the following Declaration:

> I declare it to be my serious intention to devote myself to the Christian ministry or to some service in the program of the Chrstian Church . I solemnly promise that I will be diligent in study and that I will conscientiously observe the rules of this institution.

Article VIII. Amendments and By-Laws

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended or modified at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, provided notice of such amendment had been given in writing at the previous meeting. However, Article 1, Section 3 may be amended or modified only after the approval of supporting bodies.

Section 2. By-Laws and other rules not contrary to this Constitution may be adopted by the Board of Directors in regular session.

Section 3. All former rules and regulations in conflict with this Constitution are hereby repealed.

Outline Of Suggested By-Laws

Article I. Meetings
1. Notice of
2. Special Meetings
3. Place of
4. Quorum
5. Rules of Order
6. Order of Business

Article II. The Board of Directors: its Duties, Officers
1. Duties of
2. Election of its Officers
3. Special elections
4. Duties of the President of the Board
5. Duties of the V-President of the Board
6. Duties of the Secretary of the Board
7. Duties of the Treasurer of the Board

Article III. Committees of the Board
1. Standing Committees
2. Appointment of
3. Personnel of Committees
4. Minutes of Committees
5. Quorum of Committees
6. Time and Place of Meeting
7. Duties of Executive Committee
8. Duties of the Committee on Promotion and Development

9. Duties of the Committee on Welfare
10. Duties of the Committee on Instruction
11. Duties of the Committee on Finance and Investment
12. Duties of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds
13. Duties of the Committee on Budget
14. Duties of the Committee on Audit
15. Duties of the Committee on Nominations

Article IV. Duties of the Administrative Officers
1. The President
2. The Registrar
3. The Librarian

Article V. The Faculty
1. Meetings of
2. Officers of
3. Personnel of
4. Duties of Teachers
5. Resignation of
6. Dismissal of
7. Appeal of Cases

Article VI. Students
1. Admission
2. Studies
3. Conduct
4. Devotional Life
5. Dismissal
6. Graduation

Article VII. Amendments

A SECTION FROM THE BY-LAWS FOR INFORMATION OF SYNODS AND BODIES

This Section is in harmony with the Statutes of Nebraska

Article II. The Board of Directors

Section 1. Election

(A) The membership of the Board of Directors shall be elected according to the following schedule:

(1) By the Evangelicial Lutheran Synod of Nebraska

	Elected Members	Ex-Officio Members
from its members in good standing	1	
And its President, by virtue of his office		1
(2) By the Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Midwest from its members in good standing	1	
And its President, by virtue of his office		1
(3) By the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, from its members in good standing	1	
And its President, by virtue of his office		1
(4) By the Evangelical Lutheran Rocky Mountain Synod from its members in good standing	1	
And its President, by virtue of his office		1

(5) By the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Texas		
from its members in good standing	1	
And its President, by virtue of his office		1
(6) By the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa		
from its members in good standing	1	
And its President, by virtue of his office		1
(7) By the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California		
from its members in good standing	1	
And its President, by virtue of his office		1
(8) By the Evangelical Lutheran Pacific Synod		
from its members in good standing	1	
And its President, by virtue of his office		1

(B) The Board of Directors shall approve or disapprove by vote the election of each Director. In case of disapproval of any elected Director, such name shall be referred back to the electing synod or body for further consideration.

CENTRAL LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Fremont, Nebraska

(Legal successor of Western Theological Seminary of Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska)

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1949—1950

Anticipated Income		
1. From Students	$ 300.00	
2. From Endowment	800.00	
3. From the Church		
a. Synods	17,450.00	
b. The Board of Education	3,600.00	
Total anticipated income		
Anticipated Expenses		
Educational and General (only)		
1. Administration	$ 1,250.00	
2. Promotion and Publicity	1,800.00	
3. Instruction	16,000.00	
4. Library	900.00	
5. Operation and Maintenance	2,500.00	
6. Miscellaneous: Contingent	200.00	
Total anticipated expenses		$22,650.00

NOTE:

1. It is understood that these figures are wholly suggestive, and that the official budget will be approved by the newly elected Board of Directors.
2. This budget assumes that there will be no liability on the part of the Seminary for the board and room of the students. In other words, any and all auxiliary activities must be self-supporting.
3. Any needs, such as aids to students, etc., must be met from sources other than the Seminary.

4. According to present or proposed grants from supporting synods, the $17,450 indicated above as anticipated income from synods is distributed as follows:

Nebraska	$3,400	Rocky Mountain	$ 750
Midwest	3,000	Texas	500
Kansas	2,000	California	1,800
Iowa	3,000	Pacific	3,000

The time for adjournment having arrived, a motion carried that the time for this session be extended ten minutes.

The second ballot was taken for President.

Dr. Wickey spoke to Synod concerning the financial campaign for colleges and seminaries of the United Lutheran Church which is being planned for the year 1950.

The tellers reported on the second ballot for President. There was no election.

The session adjourned. Prayer was offered by Pastor Kendig Rupley.

Tuesday Afternoon **2:00 P. M.** **April 6, 1948**

The Devotional Service was conducted by Pastor J. B. Rupley, Jr.

The roll of Synod was called, forty-two pastors and twenty-seven lay delegates being present.

A motion carried that a letter of apology be written to the St. John's congregation of Vacoma because of wrong information which had been given the congregation which caused it to believe that it was not entitled to a lay delegate at Synod.

Minutes of the previous sessions were read and approved.

Pastor Martin Dolbeer, Jr., presented the Report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel, recommending that the order of business be the printed program beginning with the unfinished business of the previous session and that President Lorin Wolff of the Midwest Synod be given an opportunity to speak at the time for reception of representatives from Boards and Auxiliaries. This recommendation was rejected.

A motion carried that the presentation by the official representative of the United Lutheran Church in America be a special order during this session at 3:30 P. M.

The Report of the Executive Committee was presented by the Secretary. A motion carried that Recommendation 1 be adopted. (See pages 69 and 70)

The third ballot was taken for President.

A motion carried that consideration of the recommended budget be deferred until all reports which affect the budget have been presented.

A motion carried that official representatives of the ULCA, Boards and Agencies, and Rev. Lorin Wolff, President of the Midwest Synod, be received at this time. The following were introduced to Synod: Dr. George W. Miley, Official Representative of the United Lutheran Church in America and President of the Ohio Synod; Rev. Lorin

Wolff, President of the Midwest Synod; Rev. Burkhart, Pastor of an ALC congregation near Sidney; Mrs. C. B. Harman, Official Representative of our Synodical Women's Missionary Society.

The tellers reported on the third ballot for President. Pastor T. J. C. Schuldt was declared elected.

Recognizing that under the newly adopted Synodical Constitution a Vice President is not included among the Officers of Synod, attention was called to the dignified, capable leadership of Dr. C. B. Harman as Vice President. Expressions of appreciation and praise were spoken and a rising vote of acknowledgement given Dr. Harman.

The first ballot was taken for Secretary.

Dr. George W. Miley addressed Synod presenting the causes of our United Lutheran Church in America.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Secretary. There was no election.

The second ballot was taken for Secretary.

Executive Session **4:45 P. M.** **April 6, 1948**

The session opened with prayer by Pastor George Krebs.

The Report of the Examining Committee was presented by Pastor W. F. Most.

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE

The Rev. M. B. Simon having received and accepted a call to Messiah Evangelical Lutheran church, Broadwater, Nebraska, effective Nov. 15th, 1947, and having presented a letter of transfer from the Iowa Synod, was by unanimous mail-vote of the examining committee of the Nebraska Synod enrolled on the clerical register of Synod. Dec. 1, 1947.

Respectfully submitted

Examining Committee,

W. F. Most, Secretary.

The Report of the Committee on Ministerial and Deaconess Education was presented by Pastor W. C. Heidenreich. A motion carried that the Report be received and that the request of the Committee for "permission to outline rules of procedure for its guidance until the next meeting of Synod, said rules to be approved by the Executive Committee of Synod."

A motion carried that since Wilbur Volker has not abandoned his purpose to enter the ministry the interest on his notes be cancelled and the notes returned to him. (See Report)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL AND DEACONESS EDUCATION

Your Committee makes the following report.

For the first time in many years there are no beneficiaries receiving aid from Synod through this Committee.

We report the following actions taken during the year:

1. As Mr. Wilbur Volker has decided to teach for several years before entering the Seminary, your Committee prevailed on him to repay the loans made to him, which he has agreed to do.

2. Mr. R. Waldo Hansen is attending Carthage College, where his father has a position on the faculty. As he is not attending Midland College, we were not able to extend aid to him this year.

3. Two students at Midland College have asked for aid but neither one has met the requirements according to the Synodical Constitution and so the Committee has taken no definite action. The possibilities are that they will ask for aid for the next year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Heidenreich, Chairman
L. H. Lesher
George P. Krebs
J. C. Miller
Karl Gigstad

Report of the Treasurer of The Ministerial and Deaconess Education Committee

June, 1947 to January, 1948

Received from former treasurer	$418.28
Received from Synodical treasurer	377.00
Total Receipts	$795.28
Disbursements	none
Balance on hand Jan. 15, 1947	$795.28

Joseph C. Miller, Treasurer

Supplementary Report Ministerial and Deaconess Education Committee

Since the report made for the pre-print, Mr. Waldo Hansen senior at Midland College, has been approved for aid in the amount of $125.00 for this semester.

Your committee anticipates that this candidate and perhaps two additional students will apply for aid for the school year of 1948-49.

Your Committee also reports that Mr. Wilbur Volker, having discontinued for the present, his studies at the Seminary has returned all loan funds advanced him by your committee.

The Committee respectfully asks Synod for permission to outline rules of procedure for its guidance until the next meeting of Synod-said rules to be approved by the Executive Committee of Synod.

Respectfully

W. C. Heidenreich, Chairman
George P. Krebs, Sec'y.

The session adjourned. Prayer was offered by Pastor M. B. Simon.

Tuesday Evening Synodical Banquet April 6, 1948.
6:30 P. M.

On Tuesday evening, April 6th, at 6:30 P. M., Synod was delightfully entertained at a banquet arranged by the host pastor and his congregation and held at the beautifully located Sidney Country Club.

Under the capable guidance of Mr. Marius Christensen, toastmaster, member of the host congregation, the following program was enjoyed: Vocal Solo, "Lord's Prayer" sung by Miss Emarie Frass; Address, "The Splendor of Man's Destiny" by Dr. George W. Miley, ULCA Representative; remarks by Dr. W. H. Traub; a selection by the octet of Trinity Church, "Christ We Do All Adore Thee;" and group singing led by Pastor W. F. Most, with Pastor H. J. Goede, Accompanist.

Wednesday Morning 8:45 A. M. April 7, 1948.

The Matins Service was conducted by Pastor J. B. Rupley, Jr.

The roll of Synod was called, forty-three pastors and twenty-three lay delegates being present.

The minutes of the previous afternoon and evening sessions were read and approved.

Pastor Raymond Bartels presented the Report of the Committtee on Reference and Counsel with the follwing recommendations:

1. Announcement of Special Committees shall be the first order of business at this morning session to be followed by the Reports of Treasurer and Statistician.
2. That Pastor W. C. Heidenreich be given an opportunity to present the Deaconess Work following the Report of the Committee on Social Missions.
3. That we acknowledge and hear the Rev. Frank Brown, Director of Lutheran World Action for the United Lutheran Church following the Report of Pastor Heidenreich concerning Deaconess Work.
4. That the Conferences meet Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

A motion carried that these recommendations be adopted.

The tellers reported on the second ballot for Secretary. There was no election.

The third ballot was taken for Secretary.

A motion carried that a Synodical picture be taken and placed with the Synodical records.

The Reports of the Treasurer and Auditors were presented by Treasurer F. E. Wood. A motion carried that the Report of the Auditors be adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT 1947

Receipts

The Apportionment	$57,680.18
Tabitha Home Spl. Gifts	2,071.24
Foreign Missions	2,032.85

Miscellaneous Receipts	1,271.19
Forward Midland Campaign	13,944.24
Lutheran World Action	38,881.07
Space in Minutes Lutheran B'hood	35.00
	$115,915.77

Disbursements

United Lutheran Church Apportionment		$ 25,051.20
Specials		
Lutheran World Action	38,881.07	
Foreign Missions	2,072.85	
American Bible Society	26.69	
Children of the Church	299.19	
Home Missions	2.00	
Bd. of Am. Missions	145.28	
Deaconess Bd.	1.00	
Luther League	26.00	
Inst. Chaplaincy	10.92	
Laymen's L. for Stewardship	50.00	
Pensions and Relief	10.00	
Social Missions	1.00	
		41,526.00
Midland College Apportionment		13,743.00
Western Theological Seminary		3,272.00
Tabitha Home Apportionment		5,838.85
Tabitha Home Specials		2,071.24
Mission Committee Apport.		3,000.00
Ministerial Education Apport.		500.00
Ministerial Education Additional		85.00
Forward Midland Campaign		13,944.24
Mexican Missions Omaha		160.00
Midland Assembly		5.00
Am. S. S. Union		5.00
Synod of Nebr. Stewardship Film		6.00
Rev. M. A. Ritzen Lutheran World Relief		433.11
Student Work, U. of Nebr.		50.00
Synod Items as follows:		6,225.13
		$115,915.77

G. K. Rubrecht 75th Anniversary	$ 17.13
Chappel Ptg. Co. 75th Anniversary	3.00
C. B. Harman 75th Anniversary	3.00
W. T. Kahse 75th Anniversary	15.00
A. T. Yost 75th Anniversary	14.40
J. C. Hershey 75th Anniversary	5.75
P. W. H. Frederick 75th Anniversary	9.80
Hodges Studio 75th Anniversary	29.00
Enterprise 75th Anniversary	214.98
St. Louis Button Co. 75th Anniversary	20.32
Carpenter Paper Co. 75th Anniversary	12.46
The Broghill Co. 75th Anniversary	8.00
Carl Olson 75th Anniversary	6.65
Midland Art Dept. 75th Anniversary	5.00

W. A. Klink Men Pensions & Relief	1.28
O. G. Nelson Stewardship Committee	5.00
J. C. Hershey	8.45
W. A. Klink Stewardship Film Exp.	14.89
J. E. Messer Stewardship Film Exp.	8.00
Kendig Rupley Stewardship Film Exp.	45.52
R. V. Davis Conf. Columbus, Ohio	51.75
J. C. Hershey Conf. Columbus, Ohio	45.42
F. E. Reinartz Conf. Columbus. Ohio	13.57
R. V. Davis Sal. & Exp. Statistician	57.00
Green's Greenhouse Flowers	20.70
J. C. Hershey Ins. on Ericson Church	4.12
Nebr. State Savings & Loan Co., Box rent	2.40
F. E. Wood Salary	100.00
F. E. Wood exp & stry. Stewardship Comm.	13.00
F. E. Wood exp & stry. Dr. Stoughton Prom.	10.00
T. J. C. Schuldt Secretarial Exp.	22.84
T. J. C. Schuldt Salary	100.00
J. F. Hansen Audit Co. Audit	35.00
J. C. Hershey Parish L&W Chicago	150.00
Bekins Van & Storage Omaha St. Marks	84.31
Board of Pensions & Rel J. C. Hershey	150.00
J. H. Shiery L. L. Camp	75.00
Conrad Scheidt L. S. Foundation	100.00
Sec. of State	1.00
F. E. Wood stamped envelopes	10.00
J. C. Hershey Sal. & Exp.	3854.47
Owen Printing - Office Supplies	18.60
J. F. Bastian Treas. Bond	20.00
Enterprise Ptg. - Nebr. Synod	347.45
Enterprise Ptg. - Minutes of Synod	259.99
W. A. Klink Exec. Com. Exp.	37.74
T. J. C. Schuldt Exec. Com. Exp.	42.00
A. T. Yost Exec. Com. Exp.	36.18
J. C. Hershey Exec. Com. Exp.	34.71
W. W. Kuenning Exec. Com. Exp.	35.40
Wm. Heuer Exec. Com. Exp.	5.00
F. E. Wood	4.20
Bank Exchange	.65
	$6225.13

TREASURER'S ANNUAL EXHIBIT

	Apport.	Paid	Pct.	Spls.	Total
Allen	$ 483.00	181.00	37.4	109.00	290.00
Auburn	1929.00	1929.00	100.	2034.34	3963.34
Beatrice	659.00	520.71	79.	369.00	889.71
Benedict	630.00	636.00	100.1	729.45	1365.45
Bellevue	269.00				
Br'dwater	433.00	319.00	73.3	155.68	474.68
Columbus	406.00	423.00	104.	233.15	656.15
Dakota City Emm.	49.00	49.00	100.		49.00
Dakota City Salem	707.00	433.67	61.3		433.67
Dalton	422.00	422.00	100.	603.73	1025.73

Davenport	1112.00	1112.00	100.	225.00	1337.00
Eagle	230.00	25.00	.11		25.00
Emerson	1699.00	1105.00	65.	1525.22	2630.22
Falls City	2839.00	2312.00	81.4	596.36	2908.36
Fremont	2714.00	4200.10	154.8	3752.70	7952.80
Gr. Island	6795.00	3456.00	51.	3890.07	7346.07
Gurley	444.00	444.00	100.	607.95	1051.95
Hampton	285.00	291,00	102.	125.35	416.35
Hardy	345.00	345.00	100.	504.85	849.85
Hildreth	465.00	Check for $452.00 rec'd from Treas. of Midwest Synod Jan. 18. 1947.			
Homer	312.00	141.45	45 3	134.00	275.45
Hooper	1364.00	1364.00	100.	750.07	2114.07
Hubbard	247.00	43.00	17.4	18.00	61.00
Leigh	1008.00	871.00	86.8	1153.70	2024.70
Lewellen	304.00	314.00	103.	283.00	597.00
Lincoln	3173.00	3173.00	100.	2474.25	5647.25
McCool Jct.	789.00	578.50	73.3	15.00	593.50
Nebr. City	959.00	516.53	54.	413.20	929.73
N. Platte	3209.00	3222 00	100.4	1247.63	4469.63
Omaha 1st	1260.00	1424.00	113.	770.90	2194.90
Om. Grace	975.00	975.00	100.	1183.92	2158.92
Om. K. M.	12960.00	7139.00	55.1	16292.25	23431.25
Om. L. M.	964.00	975.00	101.	240.84	1215.85
Omaha Redeemer	2132.00	2169.69	101.7	1590.04	3759.73
Omaha St. Lukes	3080.00	3299.00	107.	3085.26	6384.26
Omaha St. Marks	586.00	497.55	84.9	742.45	1240.00
Oshkosh	279.00	283.00	101.	263.25	546.25
Paxton	712.00	1035.00	145.	1157.75	2192.75
Ponca	1211.00	682.00	56.3	891.11	1573.11
Potter	192.00	192.00	100.	133.05	325.05
Rising City	696.00	696.00	100.	773.64	1469.64
Scribner	932.00	932.04	100.	1412.87	2344.91
Sidney	680.00	751.00	110.	691.00	1442.00
Snyder	290.00	283.00	97.6	334.00	617.00
So. Sioux City	1797.00	1167.76	65.	776.22	1943.98
Spencer	373.00	50.00	13.4	183.58	233.58
Stamford	663.00	663.00	100.00	461.80	1124.80
Stella	132.00	133.50	101.	129.25	262.75
Sutherland	88.00	114.00	130.00	173.00	287.00
Tekamah	658.00	658.00	100.	510.00	1168.00
Vacoma	274.00	274.00	100.	200.80	474.80
Verdon	486.00	581.00	119.	540.00	1121.00
Walton	471.00	193.00	41.		193.00
Wayne	1606.00	1616.00	100.6	1631.41	3247.41
West Point	2077.00	1503.68	72.4	670.50	2174.18
Wilber	372.00	243.00	68.	95.00	338.00
Wolbach	548.00	142.00	26.	100.00	242.00
York	647.00	581.00	90.		581.00
	$71655.00	57680.18	80.5	56984.59	114664.77

FORWARD MIDLAND CAMPAIGN

As of February 1, 1948
From the Nebraska Synod

Town	Church	Quota	Paid
Auburn,	St. Paul	$1,467.00	$1,468.85
Allen,	First	459.00	70.00

Beatrice, Trinity	549.00	435.50
Benedict, Zion	450.00	533.65
Broadwater, Messiah	184.50	205.50
Columbus, United	288.00	187.30
Dakota City, Emmanuel	607.00	607.00
Dalton, Trinity	450.00	450.00
Davenport, Christ	1,012.50	300.81
Davenport, Christ — Snyder Memorial Room		1,000.00
Eagle, Trinity	189.00	15.00
Emerson, St. Luke	1,152.00	1,152.23
Falls City, St. Paul	2,268.00	264.00
Fremont, Salem	2,524.50	7,807.18
(Includes $3,500 by the John Niebaums)		
Grand Island, St. Paul	4,666.50	3,426.50
Gurley, Grace	558.00	567.78
Hampton, Emmanuel	265.00	241.00
Hardy, Union	324.00	324.00
Hildreth, St. Paul	400.50	97.45
Homer, St. Paul	724.50	124.00
Hooper, Grace	931.50	1,010.00
Hubbard, Trinity	270.00	
Leigh, St. John	724.50	755.03
Lewellen, Grace	288.00	1,135.00
Lincoln, Grace	2,313.00	1,760.00
McCool Junction, First	504.00	
Nebraska City, First	724.50	634.64
North Platte, First	2,484.50	2,371.68
Omaha, First	945.00	1,000.00
Omaha, Grace	891.00	126.00
Omaha, Kountze Memorial	9,891.00	6,731.16
Omaha, Our Redeemer	1,597.50	742.00
Omaha, Luther Memorial	450.00	460.00
Omaha, St. Luke	2,560.50	2,653.31
Omaha, St. Mark	558.00	558.45
W. C. Anderson		75.00
Oshkosh, St. Mark	207.00	290.00
Paxton, Trinity	558.00	583.00
Ponca, Salem	1,003.50	591.10
Potter, First	117.00	184.87
Rising City, First	774.00	780.00
Scribner, United	742.50	764.50
Sidney, Trinity	639.00	639.50
Snyder, Immanuel	270.00	164.00
South Sioux City, First	1,237.50	1,024.97
Spencer, United	391.50	
Stella, Trinity	112.50	5.00
Sutherland, Grace	90.00	90.00
Stamford, Trinity	432.00	432.00
Tekamah, Emmanuel	441.00	610.00
Vacoma, St. John	232.00	232.00
Verdon, St. Mark	513.00	
Walton, Grace	387.00	100.00
Wayne, St. Paul	1,363.50	751.53
West Point, Grace	1,561.50	5,448.50
(Includes Housemother's suite.)		
Wilber, First	355.50	100.00
Wolbach, Trinity	346.50	100.00
Omaha Dist. WMS Conf.		18.00
Mrs. Ellen Howe		200.00
Dysinger Memorial Room		500.00
Burkhart Memorial Room		500.00
Burkhart Memorial Cross and Candle Sticks for Altar		90.00
Luther League for furnishings in Chapel		244.31

Davenport, Nebr., Ladies' Aid (furnishing a room)		100.00
	$55,288.50	$53,833.30
		% Paid 97.4

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION

	Quota	Paid	Per cent
Allen	$ 830.18	$ 39.00	4.7
Auburn	1845.74	2917.84.	158.0
Beatrice	596.44	400.30	67.0
Benedict	850.33	739.70	87.0
Bellevue	233.74	73.00	31.0
Broadwater	813.09	173.88	21.4
Columbus	310.31	314.89	101.0
Dakota City Em.	72.54	10.00	14.0
Dakota City Salem	975.26	145.70	15.0
Dalton	540.02	541.00	100.0
Davenport	1406.47	153.00	10.8
Eagle	274.04	138.50	50.0
Emerson	2103.66	1407.26	66.9
Falls City	2764.58	662.00	24.0
Fremont	2917.72	3342.71	114.6
Grand Island	6802.64	4122.84	60.6
Gurley	548.08	548.08	100.0
Hampton	407.03	423.06	104.0
Hardy	383.85	383.85	100.0
Hildreth	818.09	70.00	8.6
Homer	1261.31	27.50	2.2
Hooper	1100.19	1125.52	102.3
Hubbard	652.86	38.65	6.0
Leigh	959.14	961.30	100.0
Lewellen	407.03	410.00	100.7
Lincoln	3312.66	4043.50	122.0
McCool Jct .	681.07	186.50	27.4
Nebr. City	918.84	349.39	38.0
North Platte	3784.17	1767.28	46.7
Omaha, First	1406.47	823.90	58.6
Omaha, Grace	1031.68	1483.92	144.0
Omaha, K. Mem.	19061.90	14297.74	75.0
Omaha, Luther Mem.	789.28	883.24	112.0
Omaha, Redeemer	3735.81	2623.76	70.0
Omaha, St. Lukes	3502.07	4076.57	116.0
Omaha, St. Marks	1200.94	476.59	40.0
Oshkosh	455.39	474.25	104.0
Paxton	1281.54	2119.45	165.0
Ponca	1466.92	1497.06	102.0
Potter	274.04	274.04	100.0
Rising City	793.91	855.34	107.0
Scribner	1047.80	1166.42	111.0
Sidney	934.96	666.00	71.3
Snyder	362.70	374.45	103.0
So. Sioux City	2317.25	1383.00	60.0
Spencer	677.04	385.96	57.0
Stamford	523.90	546.87	104.0
Stella	169.26	169.26	100.0
Sutherland	181.35	182.00	100.0

Tekamah	733.46	735.00	100.0
Vacoma	314.34	319.50	102.0
Verdon	806.00	637.00	79.0
Walton	693.16	141.15	20.4
Wayne	2055.30	1432.27	70.0
West Point	1487.07	1120.29	75.3
Wilber	697.19	195.00	28.0
Wolbach	922.87	128.25	13.9
York	797.94	113.57	14.2
	88217.70	65098.15	73.4
Anonymous		1000.00	
W. T. Kahse		100.00	
J. K. Jensen		50.00	
		66248.15	

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Fremont, Nebraska
March 27, 1948.

To the Board of Trustees
The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska
Of the United Lutheran Church in America:

In compliance with the request of your Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Wood, we have conducted an audit in detail of his books, our audit commencing at the point of the completion of our previous audit, which was as of January 17, 1947, down throcgh and including Jan. 10, 1948.

Our report herewith agrees with the financial records of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska as kept by Treasurer F. E. Wood, and to the best of our knowledge and belief is a correct accounting of all receipts and disbursements of the period under audit.

We found the balance on hand in the bank as of January 10, 1948, and the checks outstanding against same to be exactly in accordance with the records of the Stephens National Bank of Fremont, Nebraska, in which the accounts of the Synod are kept. We found all records neatly and accurately kept.

The officers of the Synod during the period covered by the audit were:

Reverend John C. Hershey, President
Reverend T. J. C. Schuldt, Secretary
Mr. F. E. Wood, Treasurer.

Our report is indexed by Exhibits as follows:

Exhibit 'A'; Summary Statement of Receipts and Disbursements from January 17, 1947, to January 10, 1948, inclusive.

Exhibit 'B'; Detailed Statement of Receipts and Disbursements by Funds from January 17, 1947, to January 10, 1948, inclusive.

Exhibit 'C'; Bank Reconcilement, January 10, 1948.

Respectfully submitted,
THE HANSON AUDIT CO.
By James R. Hanson

The tellers reported on the third ballot for Secretary. Pastor A. W. Young was declared elected.

Nominations were received for Treasurer. A motion carried that the Secretary cast the ballot of Synod for Mr. F. E. Wood as Treasurer. It was so ordered. Mr Wood was declared elected

Pastor R. V. Davis presented his Report as Statistician.

REPORT OF STATISTICIAN

Parochial Reports have been received from all 56 congregations of Synod. Two congregations disbanded during past year: First Lutheran of Ericson, also St. Mark's Lutheran of Omaha; St. Paul's Lutheran of Hildreth was transferred to the Midwest Synod.

A duplicate copy of the parochial report for each congregation, with the necessary corrections made by your statistician, and a summary of all reports have been sent to the Secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Clerical Roll of Synod (Dec. 31, 1947) lists 65 names classified as follows: 40 active pastors serving synodical congregations; 2 pastors serving congregations not on the roll of synod; 2 chaplains; 8 professors, teachers and general workers; 5 foreign missionaries; 7 retired; none licensed; 1 in secular employment and 1 unemployed.

MEMBERSHIP—GAINS—LOSSES

Number of Members: Baptized 32,128, or gain of 490; Confirmed 22,308, or gain of 301; Communing 13,897, or gain of 290. The loss of three congregations during past year and losses due to revision of church records account in part for small gains during year.

GAINS: 59 in Sunday School enrollment as compared with gain of 397 in previous year, enrollment 7,005; 118 in catechumens which numbered 1,221; 73 in Weekday School enrollment with 1,421 pupils; 3 in Lutheran Motherhouses; 4 in Lutheran institutions; 9 in Men's organizations; 28 in Young People's organizations as compared with gain of 118 in previous year.

LOSSES: 13 leaders and 118 pupils in Children of Church; 1 in Lutheran seminaries; 114 in non-Lutheran institutions; 13 in mixed organizations and 23 in Women's organizations.

VALUATION CHURCH PROPERTY—GAINS—LOSSES

GAINS: In Church Buildings $100,540; parsonages $38,050; Endowment; $12,857; Other Property $74,314; Total Gain $225,761.

INDEBTEDNESS

The indebtedness on the property of the congregations of Synod in 1947 was $18,958 as compared with $20,490 in 1946, or a decrease in indebtedness of $1,532.

EXPENSES—GAINS—LOSSES

GAINS: Congregational $40,085, Unusual $26,378 with the gain in Total Congregational Expenses of $66,463.

CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE—GAINS—LOSSES

GAINS: Foreign Missions $3,281; American Missions $1,178; Other Benevolence $8,349 (includes Lutheran World Action).

LOSSES: Education $7,375; Social Missions $2,582.

TOTALS

Total Unapportioned Benevolence $81,038, or an increase of $2,851 over last year. Total Apportioned Benevolence $57,680.18, or an increase of $7,339.97 over last year. Total Benevolence (Unapportioned and Apportioned) was $138,718.18, or an increase of $10,190.97 over last year. Total Expenditures for congregations of Synod were $479,532.18, or an increase of $76,653.97 over last year.

Respectfully submitted,
R. V. Davis
Statistician.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

The United Lutheran Church made great strides this past year in the presentation of a definite Stewardship program.

First, there was the masterful presentation by Dr. Stoughton. His itinerary took him into every Synod. He was well received everywhere. Without question the seed he has planted will bear fruit in due time.

The second phase was the presentation of the film "Now I See". The projection of this film was witnessed by the hundreds in our own Synod and by the thousands through the U L C A. This picture was gripping.

The film "Now I See" is being shown among the congregations of other Faiths.

We were gratified with the enthusiasm of the key men who were responsible for the presentation of the film.

While much has been accomplished by the program as set up by the Stewardship Committee of the U L C A there is still much to be done. We have observed that in many instances councilmen who have had various suggestons made at conference go home without putting into practice the new ideas presented. They fell right back into the old rut. If we are to grow there must be the putting into practice many of the suggestions presented.

Bert Wilson in his book "The Christian and His Money Problems" says: "If you would have a congregation that is Stewardship conscious there must be an educational program in the Sunday School. Here is a great undeveloped field. The whole problem will be solved here if the church is sensitive and alert to its educational program on the subject. Stewardship seed planted on the 'good ground' of the hearts and minds of Sunday School children today will bring a hundred-fold crop of Christian Stewards tomorrow."

Respectfully,

W. A. Klink
A. W. Young
Geo. E. Mortensen
F. E. Wood
W. W. Kuenning
Ben Meyer

The first ballot was taken for clerical members of the Home Missions Committee.

A motion to elect new members of the Executive Committee according to the new constitution and at this session was defeated in view of the fact that present members of the committee according to the terms of office specified might continue to serve as a committee in conformance with the requirements of the new constitution.

Dr. J. C. Hershey, presented the Report of the Missionary Committee. Pastor A. H. Pinkall, presented his Report as Treasurer of the Committee and also the Report of the Auditors. A motion carried that the Report of the Auditors be adopted. Additions to the Report were presented verbally. Pastor A. H. Pinkall reported concerning the Gethsemane Mexican Mission, Omaha. A motion carried that Synod authorize the Home Mission Committee to extend a call to Carlos Guzman, for Mexican work, and guarantee his support for one year.

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

The officers of this committee are as follows: Otto Nelson, president; J. C. Hershey, secretary; and A. H. Pinkall, treasurer.

Your committee in charge of the missionary work in Synod beg to submit the following report:

Four meetings were held during the year. We regret to report that no new fields have been opened due to the shortage of pastors. Several are waiting to be surveyed and occupied if the survey is favorable.

BELLEVUE was organized in 1944. This mission has been served by students from Western Seminary until recent months when Dr. T. D. Rinde has become the regular supply pastor. Your committee is now offering a salary of $2,400.00 and the free use of the parsonage. The Board of American Missions will assume the larger part of this amount. The Synodical Committee may be called upon to supplement the salary to some extent in the beginning. The prospects are good for an energetic and consecrated pastor.

SPENCER was organized in 1930. Rev. P. O. Anderson became the pastor April 1st 1947. A bedroom has been added to the parsonage and a basement under the church. We are looking for an increase in the membership since more room is available for Sunday School work and recreation. The Board of Education has granted $500.00 toward the salary with a reduction of $200.00 the second year with the understanding the congregation is to become self supporting the third year.

LUTHER MEMORIAL, OMAHA, was organized in 1936. Rev. W. F. Most became the pastor June 1, 1944. This mission has been growing rapidly and is badly in need of larger quarters for its expanding work. There are 253 communing members. This mission reached 100% and over in its quotas for apportioned benevolence, Lutheran World Action and Midland College. The Board of American Missions grants $300.00 and your Synodical Committee $320.00 to

supplement the salary this year. This mission will become self supporting in 1949.

COLUMBUS was organized in 1931. Rev. John Shiery became the pastor of this congregation in June, 1944. This mission has made good progress under the leadership of pastor Shiery. When he went there four years ago there were sixty-two communing members. Today there are two-hundred and seven. The good news is that this mission voted to become self supporting and at the same time voted to increase the pastor's salary to $2,000.00. We commend both the pastor and the congregation for this fine progress in the Lord's work.

MEXICAN MISSION, OMAHA: The mission work among the Mexicans in Omaha continues to make progress. Student Carlos Guzman devotes all his spare time with his people. Kountze Memorial Lutheran congregation has invited the Mexicans to share their chapel with them at 19th and Castelar streets. Each group meets at different hours. While great progress is not evident we are looking forward to the time when Carlos Guzman may devote all his time to his people and with the help of Miss Jesucita Velez, who completes her studies at the Baltimore Mother House this spring, much more can be done.

Your committee has subsidized the salaries in the following congregations per month as follows: Beatrice $25.00, Hampton $16.67, Broadwater $35.00, and Wilbur $25.00. These amounts will be reduced as the congregations become able to assume them.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Hershey. secretary

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

Treasurer's Report

For Period Jan. 31, 1947 to Jan. 31, 1948

Depository: Stock Yards National Bank of South Omaha.

Receipts

Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1947	$ 789.57	
Received from Nebr. Synod	3000.00	
Received from Emm. Luth. Bellevue	150.00	
Total Receipts plus Balance		$3939.57

Disbursements

Salary to Dr. J. C. Hershey (Missionary Supt.)	300.00
Salary to Rev. W. F. Most (Luther Memorial)	373.37
Salary to Rev. J. Shiery (Columbus, Nebr.)	385.00
Salary to Rev. G. E. Mortensen (Beatrice, Nebr.)	300.00
Salary to C. Guzman (Mexican Mission)	528.00
Salary to Jesucita Velez (Mexican Mission)	150.00
Lit. & Supplies to Mexican Mission	85.00
Salary to Rev. K. Rupley (Hampton. Nebr.)	150.03
Salary to Rev. H C. Cordts (Wilbur, Nebr.)	25.00
Salary to Rev. M. B. Simon (Broadwater, Nebr.)	62.50
Travel Exp. & Meals for Committee	159.38

Sidner, Lee, Gunderson (Legal Service)	76.73
To Dr. Hershey for extra expense	25.00
Insurance on Bellevue Parsonage	62.06
Bonding of Treasurer Rev. A. H. Pinkall	5.00
Total Disbursements	2867.07
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1948	1252.50

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. Pinkall. Treasurer
Omaha, Nebraska

Omaha, Nebraska

February 8, 1948

To the Missionary Committee,

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska;

This is to certify that the books of your Treasurer have been audited by me this 8th day of February, 1948 and found correct. Balance on hand as shown by Stock Yards National Bank of South Omaha Nebraska is $1277.50
One (1) outstanding check No. 2 25.00

Balance on hand as of January 31st, 1948 $1252.50

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. Gamerl-Auditing Committee

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was presented by Pastor H. Dumler.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The committee on foreign missions arranged an itinerary for Miss Esther Bacon, R. N. in the Nebraska Synod. Her services in our Synod were shared with the Midwest Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY DUMLER

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Statistical Secretary, the Reverend R. V. Davis, was declared elected.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for clerical members of the Home Missions Committee. Pastors L. H. Lesher and A. H. Pinkall, receiving a majority of votes, were declared elected.

The second ballot was taken for clerical members of the Home Missions Committee.

Nominations were received for lay members of the Home Missions Committee. Mr. Otto Nelson and Mr. Paul Palmquist were nominated. A motion carried that the nomination cease. A motion carried that the Secretary cast the ballot of Synod for Mr. Otto Nelson and Mr. Paul Palmquist as lay members of the Home Missions Committee. It was so ordered and they were declared elected.

The Report of the Committee on Social Missions was presented by Pastor F. W. Henkel.

SOCIAL MISSIONS' COMMITTEE

Your committee tried to contact all pastors asking them to help out financially with our Mexican Mission in Omaha. The purchasing of an artificial leg for one of the parishioners was one of the obligations assumed.

The committee brings to the attention of the pastors the valuable tracts. etc., available.

Respectfully submitted

F. W. Henkel
J. C. Miller
Paul de Freese
F. L. Cress
H. C. Cordts
O. L. Sturtevant

Pastor W. C. Heidenreich spoke to Synod concerning the Deaconess Work.

The tellers reported on the second ballot for clerical members of the Home Missions Committee, Dr. P. W. H. Frederick was declared elected.

The first ballot was taken for clerical members of the Foreign Missions Committee.

Nominations were received for lay members of the Foreign Missions Committee. Mr. O. L. Sturtevant and Mr. A. T. Yost were nominated. A motion carried that the nominations cease. A motion carried that the Secretary cast the ballot of Synod for Mr. O. L. Sturtevant and Mr. A. T. Yost for lay members of the Foreign Missions Committee. It was so ordered and they were declared elected.

The Rev. Frank Brown, Director of Lutheran World Action for the ULCA spoke to Synod in behalf of Lutheran World Action.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for clerical members of the Foreign Missions Committee. Pastors, H. Dumler, R. R. Pfeiffer and John Jacobs were declared elected.

The first ballot was taken for clerical members of the Social Missions Committee.

Nominations were received for lay members of the Social Missions Committee. The following were nominated: Marius Christensen, V. B. Elseffer, S. A. Wassum, Harold Wochner. A motion carried that the nominations cease. The first ballot was taken for lay members of the Social Missions Committee.

Pastor E. C. Mortensen presented the Report of the Committee on New Congregations and Pastoral Charges. A motion carried that the Report be adopted. It was announced that there may be two congregations applying for membership in our Synod. A motion carried that the Executive Committee be authorized to receive them into the membership of our Synod if and when the conditions for membership have been met.

NEW CONGREGATIONS AND PASTORAL CHARGES

Your committee has received a duplicated booklet from the combined Lutheran and Methodist Church at Hardy, which gives the activities of the past year. It manifests a remarkable degree of success and new life. There was also received a new constitution from the Luther Memorial Lutheran Church of Omaha. These two documents have been duly examined, and your committee finds nothing which requires the attention of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. Mortensen, Chairman
Paul M. de Freese
Henry Monnich

A statement of acceptance was made to Synod by the President-elect.

A motion carried that this statement be acknowledged with a rising vote of thanks.

The session adjourned. Prayer was offered by Pastor Cress.

Wednesday afternoon 2 P. M. April 7, 1948

The opening devotions were conducted by the Chaplain of Synod, Pastor H. Dumler.

The roll of Synod was called, forty pastors and twenty-four lay delegates being present.

Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Pastor Raymond Bartels reported for the Committee on Reference and Counsel. The following recommendations were submitted: 1. That the unfinished business from the previous morning session be the first items of business at this session. 2. That the consideration of the Budget follow the Report of the Committee on Conference Minutes. 3. That the hour of adjournment be 6 P. M. instead of 5 P. M. to complete all unfinished business and the order of business listed for the evening.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for lay members of the Social Missions Committee. Marius Christensen and Harold Wochner were declared elected.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for clerical members of the Social Missions Committee. Pastors Paul de Freese and F. W Henkel were declared elected.

The first ballot was taken for clerical members of the Trustees of Midland College.

The tellers reported on the second ballot for clerical members of the Social Missions Committee. There was no election.

Nominations were received for lay member of the Trustees of Midland College. Mr. S. A. Wassum was nominated. A motion carried that the nominations cease. A motion carried that the Secretary cast the ballot of Synod for Mr. Wassum.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for clerical member of the Trustees of Midland College. Dr. J. B. Rupley was declared elected.

The first ballot was taken for member of the Trustees of Central Lutheran Theological Seminary.

The tellers reported on the third ballot for clerical members of the Social Missions Committee. Pastor J. C. Miller was declared elected.

The first ballot was taken for clerical delegates to the ULCA convention.

Nominations were received for lay delegates to the ULCA convention. The following were nominated: D. L. Tyrrell, J. W. Voseipka, Harold Wochner, Claude Corman, Marius Christensen, John Wollmer, Paul Palmquist, R. B. Jenny, W. W. Kuenning, Carl Weitzenkamp, Otto Nelson, H. G. Wellensiek, Ole Nelson, Dave Jensen. A motion carried that the nominations cease.

The first ballot was taken for lay delegates to the ULCA convention.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Trustee of Central Lutheran Theological Seminary. There was no election.

The second ballot was taken for Trustee of Central Lutheran Theological Seminary.

Pastor J. B. Rupley Jr. presented the Report of the Committee on Protocol. A motion carried that the Report be received.

The committee examined the Protocol and found no mistakes of consequence.

Respectfully submitted,
John B. Rupley
John K. Shirck
Harvey Clark

The Report of the Committee on Synodical Paper was given by Dr. J. C. Hershey. A motion carried that it be adopted.

SYNODICAL PAPER

Five issues of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran were printed during the year, at a cost of $561.43. This includes the Anniversary number.

Your committee recommends that the Nebraska Synod Lutheran be continued and that Synod appropriate $750.00 for its cost.

Respectfully submitted,
E. C. MORTENSEN
F. W. HENKEL
JOHN SHIERY
J. C. HERSHEY

The tellers reported on the second ballot for Trustee of Central Lutheran Theological Seminary. Pastor George Krebs was declared elected.

Dr. L. H. Lesher presented the Report of the Trustees of Tabitha Home. Dr. O. W. Ebright, Superintendent of Tabitha Home, was

introduced to Synod, brought official greetings from the Kansas Synod, and addressed Synod on the work of Tabitha Home.

TABITHA HOME

The sixty-first year in the history of Tabitha Home has come and gone.

At the beginning of the year, 1947, there were seventy aged men and women under the care of the Home. During the year, eighteen were received, making a total of eighty-eight served. During the year nine were dismissed and ten were taken by death.

At the first of the year there were twenty-nine children at the Home. They represented sixteen families. During the year five girls and eleven boys were received representing seven families. Thus forty-five children representing twenty-three families were served. Seven girls and nine boys were dismissed.

Tabitha Home in cooperation with other Synodical Lutheran Agencies in Nebraska has endeavored to follow the admonitions of both Church and Civic Sociologists, and has made an effort not to keep in the Home a child any longer than is necessary for mental attitude or health adjustment, or during the period necessary for the re-establishment of a broken home or for the establishment of a new home by one or the other parent.

Of the sixteen children dismissed during the year: two went into private homes to work; eleven went back into homes re-established by their parents; two went into home of relatives; one went into the State Home at Beatrice. Five of these children had lived five years or more at Tabitha. One, eight years.

Other than the above who were given direct service in the Home, additional services were given by phone, letter and or in person to thirty requests for information and entrance. Some of these were able to be worked out with the parent in caring for his own problem, others were referred to other agencies which could serve better the particular need, age group or within the community of the inquirer. Numerous adoption inquiries were referred to either the Nebraska Lutheran Welfare offices or other adoption agencies.

FINANCES

INCOME RECEIPTS:	1946	1947	Increase Decrease*
Operations	34,632.02	29,774.02	4,858.00*
Income from Investments	325.62	264.40	61.22*
Appropriations	9,574.59	10,702.42	1,127.83
Voluntary Contributions	11,486.55	8,557.01	2,929.54*
Community Chest	2,800.00	2,800.00	
Total Income	58,818.78	52,097.85	6,720.93*

EXPENSES:	1947
Salaries	21,037.27
Printing & Publicity	932.63
Office Supplies	84.15
Telephones	389.73

Auto Expense	1,070.92
Legal & Auditing Expense	478.39
Postage	160.85
Freight & Express	30.34
GMC Truck	1,900.00
Laundry	1,488.34
Travel Expense	874.62
Lutheran Pensons Expense (three quarters)	141.03
Light, Power & Gas	1,027.83
Fuel	2,406.17
Repairs	8,479.86
Insurance Expense	1,144.92
Interest Paid	24.00
Water	267.65
House Supplies & Replacements	749.21
Miscel. Expenses	997.87
Yard and Garden Expense	388.87
Food	10,872.96
Feed & Chicken Expense	130.15
Hospital, Medicine and Doctor	1,050.14
Funerals & Florals	297.32
Taxes Expense	46.02
Total Expenditures	56,471.24

It will be noted among the Expense items, "Repairs, $8,479.86." A little over $6,000 of this amount was the cost of renovation of the two children's buildings. They had been terribly neglected through the depression years. The Board ordered them completely repaired, exterior and interior. This was very satisfactorily done.

THE FARM

The Tabitha Farm has produced for consumption by the Home, twenty-one head of hogs and four beefs. It is now also furnishng to the Home, twenty gallons of milk daily. One thousand dollars of the money used by the Home in improving the farm has been returned.

BUILDING FUND

On January 1, 1947, the balance in the Building Fund was $213,217.42. During the year, $35,610.04 was added. Totalling, December 31, 1947, $248,827.46. On the date of this report (February 12) the balance is $252,572.87.

A Mr. Amil H. Koop, a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Lincoln, by his will, left a Bequest of $40,000. This has not as yet been received, nor has the Board expressed its desire as to the use of this money, but it doubtless will be added to our Building Fund.

The guidance of God in the delays as to the time of building our new Home will doubtless be manifest in lower prices and a more opportune time for building than if we mortals had had our way.

Respectfully submitted

A motion carried that an item of $1600 be placed on the Synodical Budget, under Fixed Items, for the Nebraska Lutheran Welfare

Council to be used toward our share of expense in Child Placement Work for 1949.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for clerical delegates to the ULCA Convention. There was no election. A motion carried that after the next (second) ballot the list of nominees be confined to the nine receiving the higest numbr of votes.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for lay delegates to the ULCA convention. The following were declared elected: D. L. Tyrrll, Marius Christensen and Paul Palmquist.

The second ballot was taken for lay delegates to the ULCA convention.

Pastor Paul Wiegman presented his Report as Reporter to The Lutheran.

REPORTER TO THE LUTHERAN

Your reporter has attempted to select information according to the whole picture rather than according to provincial prejudices. Editor Ruff of The Lutheran has always held out for a geographical rather than synodical arrangement. For a period of over a year now we have reported for both the Midwest Synod and the Nebraska Synod.

Many of the Midwest Synod men feel that their Synod should have a separate column. Editor Ruff informs your reporter that from now on he is leaving up to President Lorin Wolff of the Midwest Synod the securing of local data from Midwest Synod congregations in the various states, to be run in under the various state pages. Perhaps this is not the best; but it is fair-minded.

The state news pages have a very high degree of interest among The Lutheran readers. But men, we must have the data! People naturally see things differently from different points of view so don't feel indignant if you write me a two page report and it is cut down to six lines in The Lutheran. Gather the data and send it to your reporter.

Deadlines for my reports to be in the office of The Lutheran for the remainder of this year are: May 18, July 6, August 17, October 5, November 16 and December 28. Have your data in to me the week before these dates.

Thanks for all your kindness and good work. I do appreciate your reports.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL WIEGMAN

Synodical Reporter to The Lutheran

Pastor Carl J. Olson presented the Report of the Committee on Publications. A motion carried that the recommendations be adopted.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION

Your Committee on publication desires to suggest and recommend the following:-

1. The Board of Publication emphasizes that the Synodical Committee should act as the eyes and ears of the Board. In turn the Pastors and laymen of the Synod should act as eyes and ears of the Committee, passing on any good suggestions and reporting everything which, in their opinion, may be helpful to the publishing agencies of our Church in their efforts to spread the ministry of the printed word.

With this in view let us all seek information on the desire or need for literature covering any field, forms to assist the Pastor or Parish Worker and manuals or guide books covering fields not within the field of the Parish and Church Board; and let us cheerfully convey such information to the Board of Publication through the Synodical Committee.

2. Let us further pass on to the Board, through the Synodical Committee, suggestions regarding the improvement or revision of literature and materials already offered.

3. Moreover, let us make suggestions as to the need for projected publications so as to assist Board in determining the need for such works.

BE IT FURTHER RECOMMENDED:-

1. THAT Pastors and laymen be urged to peruse carefully the reviews of new books in "THE LUTHERAN" and other periodicals published by The United Lutheran Church and also be encouraged to secure and read as many of these as possible.

2. THAT members of our Congregations be advised to select books as gifts to relatives and friends instead of other things of less value.

3. THAT the Pastors and others be requested to report to this Committee whenever they discover promising literary talents in their Congregations which might develop into authorship.

4. THAT the Pastors and laymen be urged to make any suggestions, which they consider timely and helpful, concerning merchandizing plans, services or operations of the Board and pass them on to this Committee.

The Committee is happy to recommend the following new books:-

"OLD TESTAMENT COMMENTARY"—Herman C. Alleman and Elmer E. Flack.

"A HARMONY OF THE GOSPELS"—Ralph Daniel Heim.
"LETTER TO CORINTH"—John Schmidt.
"JEREMIAH FOR TODAY"—Harry F. Baughman.
"PERSONAL RELIGION"—Herbert C. Alleman.
"THE LUTHERAN LITURGY" Luther D. Reed
"A CHURCH IS BORN"—Dwight H. Shelhart
"A READING OF REVELATION"—Charles Leslie Venable.
"BETTER WAYS OF GROWING UP"—Crawford-Woodward.
"THIS HOLY VENTURE"—H. Torrey Walker.

The following books are scheduled for publication some time during 1948:-

"LUTHER AND MUSIC"—Paul Nettl.
"WE BOW OUR HEADS"—John W. Doberstein.
"THE CHURCH IN SCANDINAVIA"—Carl C. Rasmussen.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:-
Carl J. Olson, Chairman.
Robert E. Shirck
Kendig W. Rupley.

President Hershey called attention to the Report of the Committee On Promoting Subscriptions to The Lutheran.

Report of the Committee On Promoting Subscription

To THE LUTHERAN

As the circulation department of The Lutheran contacted each congregation and provided all the material for soliciting subscriptions to The Lutheran we felt any special effort on our part would rather detract than add to the promotion of this campaign.

We call your attention to the Covenant Card as furnished by the Laymen's Movement for the "Every Member Visitation." This card has added as a special feature the subscription to The Lutheran. Here then is an opportunity to reach our goal to place The Lutheran in every home. "Not a special appeal but a natural procedure."

Respectfully submitted,
Erich C. Petersen.

The Report of the Midland Assembly was presented by Pastor A. H. Pinkall.

REPORT ON MIDLAND ASSEMBLY

The twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Midland Summer Assembly for Church workers was held August 10-15, 1947, on the Midland College Campus in Fremont, Nebraska, in conjunction with the sixty-seventh annual convention of the Women's Missionary Society.

The Daily Devotions and Bible Study, a fifty-five minute period was conducted by the Rev. Richard Syre on the Epistle to the Romans.

Four Credit Courses were offered; The Rev. A. H. Getz taught the class on "The Use of Visual Aids in Christian Education." The Rev. Paul A Kirsch taught the Course on, "Nurturing the Body of Christ." The Rev. Royal E. Lesher taught the course on, "Christian Evangelism," and Miss Eleanor Stelzner taught the course on, "Guiding Children in Christian Growth." These Courses were held simultaneously.

Dr. H. T. Hoover, Professor of Practical Theology, Gettysburg Seminary, conducted the Pastor's Hour on the theme, "Christian Worship," in the forenoons and "Christian Living' in the afternoons.

The inspirational lectures were given by; Dr. Paul Kirsch, the Rev. Royal Lesher, Miss Edith Eykamp, Dr. H. D. Hoover and the Rev. A. H. Getz.

A course in music was offered for intermediates by Miss Dora Finley of Sioux City, daily for one hour.

The Junior Assembly for children ages 3 to 12 years was under the direction of our Synodical Children of the Church Secretary, Miss Amanda Jorn of Fall City, Nebr., assisted by Miss Mary Marx of Omaha.

Our receipts from congregational organizations totaled $595.05. Our financial support is dependent upon this means of support and looks for increased interest next year.

The total expense for faculty, including transportation, entertainment, publicity, and administrative expenses amounted to $580.03.

Our 26th Midland Summer Assembly will be held August 8-13, 1948 at Fremont, Nebr. in conjunction with the 68th annual convention of the Women's Missionary Society.

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. Pinkall, President of Midland Assembly

Dr. L. H. Lesher presented the Report of the Committee on Student Work in Non-Lutheran Schools. Upon recommendation of the Committee a motion carried that the Budget Item for Student Work be increased from $100 to $400. Pastor F. W. Kern called attention to University Sunday which will be observed during September. A motion carried that we conform in this observance.

STUDENT WORK IN NON-LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

The Student Service Commission of the National Lutheran Council supervises the work among our Lutheran youth in non-Lutheran schools. The Commission does this work through local pastor or pastors of the National Lutheran Council congregations and through visitation by the special representatives to the various campus locations. This is the second year of this arrangement and in general it seems to contribute to increasing effectiveness.

1. State Teachers College—Wayne
Here Pastor S. K. de Freese is the appointee in charge locally. There are about 75 Lutheran students, and neighboring Lutheran pastors are used from time to time in bringing messages to the group on Christian living. Weekly meetings are held under the direction of the local L. S. A.

2. State Teachers College—Peru
The work at Peru is hampered by the fact that there is no National Lutheran congregation and pastor locally. Pastor F. W. Henkel of Auburn is assisted by two American Lutheran pastors, and they must drive from 14 to 24 miles to meet with the student group. Last summer the attendance averaged about 45 for weekly meetings and this winter the attendance is smaller. Nevertheless the church does witness of her care and interest in her youth away during their years of attendance at college through the consecration of the above pastors.

3. University of Nebraska and College of Agriculture—Lincoln

Here we have the largest concentration of Lutheran students in the state, which results in greater assistance from the Student Commission. The following report has been prepared by the pastor to Lutheran Students in Lincoln. "Work among Lutheran students in Lincoln has taken on added enthusiasm during 1947. A Lutheran Student Foundation was organized with a Board of Directors, having representatives from the state wide church bodies of the National Lutheran Council in Nebraska, from Lutheran students, alumni and faculty members, and from local churches of the National Lutheran Council. Pastor Fred Kern, Fremont, Nebr., is the representative of the Nebr. Synod of the United Lutheran Church on this Board. A house has been rented near the main campus for use as a Lutheran Student House, which is proving a real blessing in our ministry.

There are 800 Lutheran students at the University of Nebraska exclusive of Missouri Synod. There are 200 married Lutheran students at the University. At other educational institutions in Lincoln there are over 100 students. Pastor Alvin M. Petersen ministers to students in Lincoln on a full time basis as the pastor for Lutheran students representing the Student Service Commission of the National Lutheran Council. His ministry embraces counseling, Bible teaching, contacts, supervising L. S. A. programs and activities, and relating the students to local Lutheran churches. Students worship and commune in National Lutheran Council churches in Lincoln.

Ministry to students at state institutions of learning is a most strategic mission of the church, especially when we consider that these schools have over 85 per cent of our Lutheran students.

We bespeak for this ministry your interest, prayers and your support.

For the Lutheran Student Foundation and the Student Service Commission.

A. M. Petersen."

We would report for information that it is not yet possible to establish any campus work for Lutheran students at either Omaha University or Creighton University.

Larger support for this work from our Nebraska Synodical groups of the National Lutheran Council is being earnestly sought for the year 1949. The Nebraska Synod has given nominal support to the work continuously for many years. The opportunities to minister to our increasing youth population at educational centers justifies an enlarged support from groups, congregations and individuals.

Respectfully Submitted

The Committee
Leland H. Lesher, Chairman

The tellers reported on the second ballot for clerical delegates to the ULCA convention. Pastor A. W. Young was declared elected.

The third ballot was taken for clerical delegates to the ULCA convention.

The tellers reported on the second ballot for lay delegates to the ULCA convention. There was no election. A motion carried that if there be no election on the next ballot (third) that the following ballot be confined to the four receiving the highest number of votes.

The third ballot was taken for lay delegates to the ULCA convention.

In the absence of the Chairman of the Committee President Hershey called attention to the Report of the Committee on Ministerial Pensions and Relief.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL PENSIONS AND RELIEF

Your Committee wishes to report that thirty-seven of our pastors and congregations are now participating in the Contributory Pension Plan. Ten are not participants at present. At present there are seven retired pastors in Synod who are receiving pensions.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. Mortensen, Chairman

Mr. Paul Palmquist, Chairman of the Committee to Investigate the Possibility of Group Insurance, presented an oral report. A motion carried that this committee be continued and include hospitalization, specifically Blue Cross, in its investigation.

Report of Committee to Investigate Possibility of Group Insurance:

In the past several months I have discussed the matter of group insurance with several of the large companies and I wish to quote a paragraph from a letter received from one of the large companies:

> "Our Legal Division believes further information is needed before a definite answer regarding the above can be offered. We will need to know what the organization of the particular synod is and also the extent of its authority. If you could obtain for us a copy of the synod's constitution and by-laws, for its equivalent, we would be in a position to consider these points."

Before your committee can go any further it will be necessary to see if the Synod cares to submit this information and if so this committee will be very glad to follow through.

Very truly yours,

P. H. Palmquist

Pastor Paul Wiegman, Chairman of the Committee on Parish Life and Work, presented his Report. The Sub-Chairmen who were present presented their respective Reports. A motion carried that the Committee to Investigate the Possibility of a Synod-Owned Camp be continued. A motion carried that suggestion number one of the Children of the Church Report be referred to the Midland Assembly Board. A motion carried that suggestion number two of the Children of the Church Report be referred to the editor of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran. The Report of the Luther League President was presented by Pastor John Jacobs. A motion carried that the entire Report be accepted.

THE REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON PARISH LIFE AND WORK

Quoting from the words of Z. B. Trexler, President Brotherhood of the ULCA "The pastor is our spiritual leader in the congregation and in the community. Upon his leadership rests the responsibility of activating the various programs of the Church. The success of the congregation ,the Synod and the ULCA rests upon his attitudes toward and his active participation in the needs, the causes, and the agencies of the Church."

We are grateful for the pastors throughout Synod who make plans and devise ways of improving the work of the congregation. It requires work, and lots of it, to promote the work of the Kingdom.

At this time of the year all synodical committees are making out reports for the meeting of Synod. The following items are furnished as information. The items are not listed in any order of importance.

1. The Christian Growth Series.

There is almost universal approval of the lessons for the primary, junior, and intermediate departments. The material for the beginner and senior departments appeared for use in our Sunday Schools beginning October, 1947.

2. The Augsburg Uniform Series.

The Series in revised form is being received by an increasing word of approval from the users. A new policy in the preparation of this Series was adopted January 1. As rapidly as possible assignments are being made for the writing of these lessons outside the staff. This change in plan of preparation was made to release members of the staff for other work and to give the lessons as close a touch with the schools as possible.

3. The Parish School Magazine.

There has been an increase in the number of subscribers every year for the past 11. Distribution by Synods show that in 1935 we had 65 subscribers; in 1940, 83; in 1945, 163, and in 1946, 243. We had 944 teachers and officers in 1945. The 1947 annual statistics are not in yet, but they should reveal asplendid increase.

4. New Literature.

Two new leadership education courses, two new elective courses and two or three new adult courses are nearing completion. Titles cannot yet be announced.

5. Topics for the Brotherhood.

These are prepared by the Parish and Church School Board and are considered effective by the users of them.

6. Th Enlistment Program.

The Enlistment Program will be given emphasis during 1948. Staff member, the Rev. Lawrence M. Reese has been assigned for the Nebraska and Midwest Synods. Dates are: Weeks of April 11, 18, 25, May 2 and 9. The objective is A Million in Our Sunday by 1950. There is an encouraging upward turn in Sunday School enrollment.

7. Scholarship to Camp Nawakwa.

The Parish and Church School Board, in co-operation with Camp Nawakwa and synodical committees on parish education, are offering ten scholarships again for the year 1948. Mrs. Ruth Henricksen was awarded a scholarship during 1947.

8. The Children of the Church.

Under the leadership of Miss Amanda Jorn the Children of the Church continue to develop. To further the promotional work in the field, the Children of the Church committee of Synod will be enlarged by the addition of two or three women. The appointments will be made by the President of Synod.

9. Work With Leaders of Young People.

The young people's department of this committee has done some very constructive work in the past year. Much credit goes to Pastor Paul de Freese who did the promotional work, especially as Camp Director.

10. Work With Leaders of Adults.

The return of those who have served in the armed forces has helped to arouse interest in adult work in the church. Pastor A. H. Pinkall stands ready to render any service possible for the Men of the Church, and Pastor F. W. Kern for the Women of the Church.

11. The Sunday School.

Promotion of this work has been successful under the leadership of Pastor H. J. Goede. Weekday education is spreading throughout the Synod in various types of schools and classes. Catechetical instruction show marked improvement. Visual aids are being used more and more in the congregations in all phases of the work.

12. Our Hope.

The Parish Life and Work Committee sees the boys and girls, the young people, and the men and women of our congregations and of our communities as they are. It sees them as God would have them be, and it dedicates itself to the task of helping to guide these individuals through education from where they are to God's great destiny for them. We pray for your assistance

Sincerely submitted,

Paul Wiegman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH

Many splendid reports came in as to vacation Bible Schools that were conducted. Several Festival Programs were held.

According to the Quarterly reports received from the Synodical Children of The Church treasurer, Miss Ella Braun, the total offering for the year was $250.11.

Quarterly promotional letters, leaflets and treasurer's report blanks were mailed to Congregational Children's Secretaries, Pastors and other persons in the various congregations interested in the Children of The Church. Copies of the Festival Service were sent to all leaders. Personal letters were written to leaders wishing information.

We are grateful to have been permitted to attend the National Conference of the Leaders of Children of the United Lutheran Church, July 23, 1947 and also the Interdenominational Children's Conference July 20-22, and the International Sunday School Convention, July 24-27 at Des Moines, Iowa.

An informal conference was held with Congregational Children's leaders at Midland Assembly. Suggestions gained from contact with other Synodical and National Leaders that may be helpful toward a "stronger program for the children everywhere,"

1. To hold a children of The Church Leaders Conference in connection with the annual Midland Assembly and announce the same in the Midland Assembly Program.
2. To publish articles of interest in the Nebraska Synod Lutheran from time to time.
3. To encourage more weekly rather than monthly and bi-monthly meetings of the Children of The Church.
4. That we, as leaders of children, may gain inspiration and suggestions from such accounts of Synodical reports as are published by our General Children's Secretary, Miss Eleanor M. Stelzer, in the 1948 January and February copies of Lutheran Woman's Work.
5. A part-time worker to visit the local churches, to counsel with the pastors, Sunday School teachers, and Children of the Church leaders about the work.

"Released time Weekday Religious Education" has made inroads on the Children of the Church program in several more communities in the past year. Still many more children are receiving religious education through this program.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Jorn, Chairman
Children of the Church Committee

COMMITTEE ON CHURCH SCHOOLS

The Parish and Church School Board has published a number of mimeographed pamphlets outlining program and objectives for the Church School Association Officers, and they include a program for the Association Conferences. Only one such Conference has reported to this Committee during the year—the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the Southeast District Church Schools Association of the Nebraska and Midwest Synods meeting in Trinity Lutheran Church, Beatrice, Nebr., June 1, 1947.

Theme—Improve, Increase, Inspire.

The Rev. H. C. Gordts had charge of Devotions. Visual Aids were demonstrated by the Rev. F. W. Henkel. Departmental Discussion periods were led by Miss Amanda Jorn, Mr. John Huttenmeyer, and Mr. Elmer Sasse.

The Parish Life and Work Committee meeting, June 24, 1947 at Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, Omaha, indicated as the great need of Parish Schools, more emphasis on the Nursery Department, a Leadership Training Program, and Visual Aids. Christian Life Course material is available for all Departments.

The Parish School Committee is in the process of arranging five area Enlistment Demonstrations—April 11, Wayne-Norfolk area, April 18, Hooper-Columbus, April 25, Lincoln-Auburn, May 2, Hastings-Grand Island, May 11, Oklahoma City. All meetings except Oklahoma City will be jointly sponsored by the Nebraska and Midwest Synods.

Dr. S. White Rhyne has indicated that the immediate need in the Parish Schools is Leadership Training. The aim of the Board is still "A million in our Sunday Schools by 1950." The slogan, "Win them, Keep them, Teach them!" 1946 reports reveal an increase of 147 in our Nebraska Synod Schools.

Respectfully submitted,
H. J. Goede

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

For the year ending June 30, 1947

As reported to Synod in April, 1948

The Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Nebraska held its annual convention in conjunction with Midland Assembly in Fremont, August 11 to 15, 1947. Copies of the program, printed reports and the minutes have been placed in the hands of the Secretary of Synod.

We now have 60 Societies with a membership of 1309. a gain of 92 members over the year, however we are seriously concerned because only about 16 per cent of the women of the church are interested in the Missionary Program of the Church. We earnestly solicit the help of the pastors of Synod in trying to interest more women in the work of the Missionary Society.

Funds amounting to $12,554.58 were received by our treasurer during the year, an increase of $1,531.33. With special emphasis on Thank-Offering this fund of the society showed a nice increase over the previous year, a gain of $568.04. Even with that much gain we still have not reached the minimum of $3.65 per person a year, our average being only $2.67. With the Trienniel Emphasis on Thank-Offering we should be able to give more than the minimum—"A daily gift, A daily prayer, That all the World Our Christ may share."

The two goals set before us in the 1946 convention, namely the raising of $1200.00 to pay Helen Evans' salary and $500.00 for the new wing on Beegle Hall, were more than paid in full. We gave $725.95 to the College for the new wing.

A new Altar Masking curtain was purchased and installed in the College Chapel at a cost of $319.50. This was purchased from funds contributed during previous years designated as, "College Chapel Furnishings."

The Spring Conferences were held as usual with Miss Frances Dysinger, Promotional Secretary, for the Women's Missionary Society as guest speaker. The state president also attended three of these meetings.

The Women's Missionary Society as an Auxiliary of the Church is organized to disseminate missionary information, promote mission-

ary education, and to aid financially the missionary operations of the church through its regularly established Boards and to this end the Women's Missionary Society of Nebraska pledge their support.

To the men of Synod we want to say a heartfelt thank you for your fine spirit of co-operation. May the years ahead be years of joyful service as we continue to work together to carry the Gospel from our own Main street to the distant corners of the world.

Officers elected at the 1947 convention were as follows: President, Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant, Lincoln; Vice-President, Mrs. J. W. Bowyer, Omaha; Secretary, Miss Ruth Selheimer, Omaha; Statistician, Mrs. E. C. Mortensen, Paxton; Treasurer, Miss Alta Schafersman, Fremont; Executive Board Members, Mrs. Martha de Freese, Fremont, and Miss Bertha Krohn, Lincoln.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant, President

REPORT OF THE NEBRASKA SYNODICAL BROTHERHOOD

to the

Pastors and delegates of the Nebraska Synod in convention

at Sydney, Nebraska, April 3-7. 1948.

Greetings: A year has passed since the Synod celebrated its seventy-fifth anniversary and it has been a most fruitful year for our great Synod. The Nebraska Synodical Brotherhood is proud to be a part of this great organization as an auxiliary.

During the past year the Brotherhood has received a recommendation from the executive committee of Synod to hold its convention at a time separate and apart from Synod because it was felt that it would be beneficial to both organizations. This recommendation was taken into consideration by the executive committee of the Brotherhood, a poll was taken and sixteen Congregational Brotherhoods voted for the change and one against. Consequently our convention this year will be held in September and invitations are in order for a place to hold our meeting.

Also our Constitution had become obsolete almost in its entirety, so a constitution committee was appointed to revise it. This has also been completed and we shall be ready to put the new one into force at our next convention.

It is indeed with a feeling of regret that I must report that only seventeen of our fifty-eight congregations in the Synod have affiliated men's organizations. This certainly leaves a large field for expansion, and opportunity for the men of the Church to band themselves together in the work of the Lord and Master.

Our heartiest thanks to the executive committee of Synod for their splendid cooperation in the past. May God grant that we may have their continued support.

Respectfully, Ben Meyer, President,

Nebraska Synodical Brotherhood.

REPORT ON YOUTH OF THE CHURCH

During the past year several steps were taken to encourage the youth work in our Synod.

As usual, the annual Luther League Camp was held at Camp Sheldon, Columbus, on August 17-22. The enrollment was unusually high with 144 Leaguers and 17 Staff members and speakers present. The camp program included Bible study, worship periods, League Convention, visual education, recreation, etc. This annual camp project is most beneficial to our youth. We encourage its promotion and support.

Numerous League Rallies were held in the various districts of the state. The report of the League President will cover this phase of the work. These rallies have been helpful in stimulating the over-all program of the League.

Our plans for the coming year include promotion of Luther Leagues in all of our congregations; all youth groups connected with our synodical set-up. To aid us in accomplishing this we have received $150 from Synod for literature, traveling expense, etc. The indispensable aid, however, is the interest and help of the local pastors. This matter cannot be left to the young people alone. Our whole youth program can be revitalized if pastors will lend their support. We ask for their co-operation.

The dates for the Luther League Camp this summer have been tentatively set for August 15-20, at Camp Sheldon, Columbus.

In this report we would like to commend the State Officers of the Luther League for their efficient and faithful work the past year.

The financial report for our Luther League is as follows:

RECEIPTS:

1. Previous Camps	$ 121.19
2. Registration	144.00
3. Camp Income (lodging, etc.)	1,309.50
4. Nebraska Synod Appropriation	75.00
Total	$1,649.69

DISBURSEMENTS:

1. Camp Sheldon Expense	$1,296.79
2. Travel Expenses (Staff and speakers)	103.50
3. Miscellaneous (Camp paper, telephone)	18.94
4. Camp movies	53.00
5. Camp Study Material	33.25
Total	$1,505.48
Balance on hand (Jan. 24, 1948)	$ 144.21

Respectfully submitted,

Paul deFreese

REPORT OF THE LUTHER LEAGUE

The annual convention of the Luther League of the Nebraska Synod was held at Camp Sheldon in Columbus, Nebraska, from August 17-22, 1947, concurrently with the encampment.

The following officers were elected at the business meeting: President, Evalina Meyer, Scribner; First Vice President and Stewardship Secretary, JoAnn Storjohann, Scribner; Second Vice President and Educational Secretary, Lois Stigile, Hooper; Third Vice President and Missionary Secretary, Robert Kocher, Omaha; Recording Secretary, Aletha Pflueger, Wayne; Corresponding Secretary, Dorothy Young, Omaha; Treasurer, Gerard Kern, Fremont; Advisor, Rev. Jacobs, Scribner.

At an executive committee meeting held the last day at camp, the following committee chairmen were appointed and approved: Life Service Secretary, The Rev. H. Clark, Omaha; Publicity Secretary, James Pettit Jr., Omaha (to be succeeded in February by Virginia Myers, Omaha); Extension Secretary, The Rev. Paul Wiegman, Tekamah; Intermediate Secretary, The Rev. J. H. M. Shiery, Columbus; Camp Director, The Rev. Paul deFreese, Hooper.

The convention made the following recommendations:

1. That "The Lamplighter" be made the official paper of the Nebraska Luther League, to be published bi-monthly, and that the convention elect an editor.

2. In order to avoid the rise of separate missionary societies for young people in our congregations, that the Nebraska Luther League be more systematic in the study of missions.

3. That space be reserved for a missionary article in each Lamplighter.

4. That each local League be made to feel its own responsibility of emphasizing the Missionary Program and the regular and generous giving to it.

5. That the Intermediates be more closely organized and a closer contact maintained with them at camp.

Executive Committee meetings were held on September 28th and February 29th. The main topics of discussion at these two meetings were: The 14-point Program; the possibility of a monthly officers bulletin, a project to promote field work, and the amending of the Luther League constitution.

The annual Officers and Workers Conference was held in Scribner on January 2nd. The group present was not large, but the material presented proved itself beneficial.

The Luther League of America is trying to complete its $25000 project which involves sending and maintaining a missionary (Miss Eileen Ufkes) in China and building the Peace High School at Skeldon, British Guiana, during the 1948 calendar year. At the time of the writing of this report, the Nebraska Luther League has completed the payment of its apportioned part of this missionary project.

During the 1947 Thanksgiving week-end, the League president, Evalina Meyer, was given the opportunity to attend the Presidents Conference at Springfield, Ohio. Presidents and treasurers from almost every Synod in the U.L.C.A. were present. The three-day program presented the projects, the purposes and the aims of the Luther League as a whole. It was very inspiring to meet with these representatives of the other Synods.

At the present time, there are thirty-three congregational Luther Leagues affiliated with the Synodical League.

The treasurer's report is as follows:

Balance on hand, August, 1947			$104.78
Receipts			
National Apportionment	$188.00		
State Apportionment (Working Capital)	180.87		
Missionary Project	136.69		
State Project (Midland Fund)	25.50		
Special Gifts Fund	20.00		
Total Receipts since August, 1947		$551.15	
Disbursements			
National Apportionment	148.33		
Working Capital	221.62		
Missionary Project	136.69		
Special Gifts Fund	20.00		
Total Disbursements since August, 1947		526.64	
*Balance on hand, March 25, 1948			$129.29

Respectfully submitted,

Evalina Meyer, President.

The tellers reported on the third ballot for clerical delegates to the UCLA convention. Pastors A. H. Pinkall and F. W. Kern were declared elected.

The fourth ballot was taken for clerical delegates to the ULCA convention.

The tellers reported on the third ballot for lay delegates to the ULCA convention. John Wollmer and Harold Wochner were declared elected. The next five receiving the highest number of votes were declared alternate lay delegates in their respective order: R. B. Jenny, Otto Nelson, H. G. Wellensiek, Carl Weitzenkamp, W. W. Kuenning.

President Hershey called attention to Institutional Chaplaincy Work in Nebraska as carried on under the supervision of the National Lutheran Council and Bethphage Mission, Axtell, Nebraska.

Pastor Harvey Clark presented the Report of the Committee on Conference Minutes. Item two was adopted. Item three was adopted. A motion carried that the Report be adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE MINUTES

1. The South Platte conference petitioned the Executive Committee of Synod to consider the advisability of realigning the bound-

ary lines of the Conferences of Synod, and define the scope and purpose of Conference Meetiings. This action was referred by the Executive Committee to the Committee on Conference Minutes to be brought on the floor of Synod for consideration. The Committee on Conference Minutes herewith presents this matter with the following recommendations:

A. That the boundary lines remain the same with exception of the Spencer congregation which congregation will be considered under Item 2.

B. That inasmuch as the new constitution defines the scope and purpose of Conference Meetings we refer the conferences to Article Five.

2. The Spencer congregation in Annual Meeting officially petitions Synod for placing in the North Platte Conference due to travel difficulties to the Western Conference, proximity to the east and through roads in that direction. We recommend this request be granted.

3. The Western Conference memorializes Synod to investigate the possibilities of the establishment of a mission congregation in Alliance. We recommend that Synod instruct the Mission Committee to make this investigation.

4. The North Platte Conference memorializes Synod to instruct the Synodical officers to request each congregation in Synod to submit a copy of its constitution for examination.

Respectfully submitted,

Harvey Clark
Karl Gigstad

The tellers reported on the fourth ballot for clerical delegates to the ULCA convention. There was no election. A motion carried that if there be no election on the fifth ballot the sixth ballot be confined to the two receiving the highest number of votes.

The fifth ballot was taken for clerical delegates to the ULCA convention.

The Budget for 1949 was presented. A motion to include secretarial assistance for the President under an item of office expense was defeated. A motion carried that the Budget be adopted as amended.

BUDGET FOR 1949

Section 1. Fixed Items.

Salaries	$4,400
(Pres. $4000, Sec'y. $150, Treas. $150. Statn. $100)	
Midland College and Western Seminary	19,456
($1.40 per Communing Member)	
President's Travel Expense	825
Missions	3,500
Beneficiary Education	500
Synodical Paper	750
General Expense Fund	400
Printing	300

Student Work	400	
Young People's Camp	75	
Auditor's Fees	35	
Treasurer's Bond	10	
Committee on Parish Life and Work	150	
Child Welfare	1,600	
Total	$32,401	$32,401

Section 2. The Apportionment

The United Lutheran Church in America	$45,868	
Tabitha Home	7,352	
Total	$53,220	$53,220
Grand Total		$85,621

Per Communing Member $6.16

APPORTIONMENT FOR 1949

Allen	708	Omaha, First	1503
Auburn	2331	Omaha, Grace	1337
Beatrice	690	Omaha, K. M.	14,384
Benedict	665	Omaha, L. M.	1478
Bellevue	277	Omaha, Redeemer	2920
Broadwater	505	Omaha, St. Luke's	3881
Columbus	659	Oshkosh	333
Dakota City, Em.	55	Paxton	1189
Dakota City, Salem	838	Ponca	1238
Dalton	653	Potter	394
Davenport	1355	Rising City	819
Eagle	265	Scribner	949
Emerson	1737	Sidney	1645
Falls City	2883	Snyder	290
Fremont	4731	So. Sioux City	2094
Grand Island	8039	Spencer	400
Gurley	702	Stamford	745
Hampton	290	Stella	136
Hardy	388	Sutherland	99
Homer	733	Tekamah	930
Hooper	1811	Vacoma	296
Hubbard	290	Verdon	665
Leigh	1060	Walton	351
Lewellen	363	Wayne	2101
Lincoln	3788	West Point	1965
McCool Junction	813	Wilber	400
Nebraska City	1060	Wolbach	739
North Platte	3825	York	801

The tellers reported on the fifth ballot for clerical delegates to the ULCA convention. Pastor Paul de Freese was declared elected. The following were declared to be alternate clerical delegates in their respective order: Pastors, J. H. M. Shiery, W. A. Klink, W. H. Traub, W. F. Most, J. B. Rupley, Sr.

The Report of the Committee on President's Report was presented by Pastor F. W. Kern. The recommendations of the President were acted upon as follows: 1. Adopted. 2. Adopted. 3. Adopt-

ed. 4. A motion carried to amend as follows: "that the Executive Committee invite the Board of Social Missions to carry on a program of evangelism in our Synod at such a time as can be satisfactorily arranged. A motion that the Report of the Committee be accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Your committee reviewed the report of the president and noted the many activities and the many miles travelled looking after the affairs of the synod. We commend the president for his conscientious and faithful performance of his duties. Under his direction synod made much progress during the last year. We note, especially, the following,

That thirty-two congregations of synod paid their apportionment 100% or more.

That twenty-six congregations of synod paid their Lutheran World Action 100% or more.

We recommend the approval of the recommendations of the president as found on page ten of the convention bulletin.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred W. Kern, Chm.
P. W. H. Frederick
John Wollmer

The Report of the Committee on Church Music was given by Pastor Martin Dolbeer Jr. A motion carried that item 3 be changed to read, "An invitation should be given to the Nebraska churches of the Midwest Synod to cooperate."

THE REPORT
OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC

Your committee recommends a Training Institute be established for choirs and choir directors in the Synod of Nebraska so as to acquaint them with the Lutheran liturgy, chorales, and the finest in choral music. This should become an established institution. It is suggested the committee meet with Mr. Oscar Lyders of Midland College to work out the details. The general plan should be as follows:

(1.) Choir Directors should have credit courses under a musical expert in conjuction with the Midland Assembly.

(2.) Local Institutes should be held in central points throughout Nebraska during the year, taking perhaps several years to cover all Churches. The Church choirs in each area would gather together for at least a day's training under a musical expert, perhaps concluding with an evening concert to help defray expenses. The planning of such Institutes should be handled by local committees consisting of the choir directors, and under the guidance and final O. K. of the Committee on Church Music.

(3.) An invitation should be given to the Nebraska churches of the Midwest Synod to cooperate.

Pastor M. L. Dolbeer, Jr.
Pastor H. J. Goede
Pastor W. F. Most

The Committee on Claims reported that no items had been presented for payment.

Pastor Harry Mumm presented the Report of the Committee on Leave of Absence. A motion carried that this Report be adopted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCES

We respectfully recommend the following be excused:

1. All missionaries, chaplains and retired clergy:
   Daubenspeck
   Delo
   Dorner
   Estrada
   Holz
   Leamer
   Megalee
   Rangeler
   Rohlfing
   E. G. Wood

2. The following clergy: (who have requested excuse)

W. T. Kahse	all
H. T. Monnich	Wednesday afternoon
J. C. Miller	Wednesday afternoon and evening
O. D. Baltzly	all
Robert Shirck	all
G. N. Mendenhall	all
G. H. Hartwig	all
Erich Petersen	all
Herman Joens	all
M. B. Simon	Wednesday evening

3. The following lay delegates:

Emil Nombailis, Stella	Wed. afternoon and evening
Fred Detmer, Columbus	all
Harry Tilgner. Lewellen	all
I. G. Enke, Emerson	all
Arthur Johansen, So. Sioux	all
Wm. Hahle, Hampton	all
Richard Beermann, Dak. City	all
Arthur Armbright, Dak. City	all (alternate)
Louis Jeppesen, Homer-Hubbard	all
Frank Lussier, Homer-Hubbard	all (alternate)

Howard Nelson, Grace, Omaha all
S. A. Wassum, Tekamah all

Committee:
Harry J. Mumm
Ole G. Nelson
Kendig Rupley

The Report of the Anniversary Committee was presented by Dr. P. W. H. Frederick.

ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

Treasurer's Report March 1, 1948

Receipts		
Funds received for sale of 498 tickets @ ------- $ 1.50		$747.00
(Tickets given gratis48)		
Expenditures		
To Mr. John Petrow for dinners ----------	$650.00	
Telephone and postage ----------	2.94	
Rent of City Auditorium ----------	15.00	
Janitor ----------	5.00	
Programs ----------	22.75	
Labor of five men ----------	25.00	
Total ----------	$720.69	
Balance on hand ----------	26.31	
	$747.00	$747.00

P. W. H. FREDERICK, Treasurer

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska

This is to certify that the treasurer's report of the 75th Anniversary Committee of Synod has been audited by me this 1st day of March 1948, and found correct.

Balance on hand March 1, 1948 ---------- $26.31

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. HERSHEY

Invitations were received for the next meeting of Synod from the following: Christ Lutheran Church, Davenport, Nebr.; Tabitha Home; St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Omaha. A ballot was taken for the place of the next meeting of Synod.

The Report of the Historian and Necrologist was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher. (see pages 70 and 71) A motion carried that the recommendation be adopted. Dr. C. B. Harman was called upon to inform Synod of the serious illness of two of our aged pastors, Dr. W. T. Kahse and Dr. J. S. Leamer. A motion carried that a message be sent from Synod to Dr. Kahse and to the family of Dr. Leamer.

The Report of the Committee on Church Polity was presented by Pastor A W. Young. Recommendations were acted upon as follows: 1. Adopted. 2. Adopted. 3. Adopted. 4. Provided in the newly adopted constitution.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH POLITY

Your committee has had no specific work assigned to it. We call your attention to a few matters mentioned in connection with the appointment of this committee.

1. Administration of the Sacraments. In as much as the United Lutheran Church in official convention uses the fermented wine in communion services, we recommend that the local congregations of te synod conform to this practice.

2. Membership Rolls. The United Lutheran Church has prepared a Model Constitution for local congregation which makes adequate provision for the matter. We recommend that the congregations of synod either adopt the suggested constitution or amend the constitutions of the local congregations to conform to the Model Consitution in this matter.

3. Organizations Injurious to the Christian Faith. The United Lutheran Church makes clear its stand in this matter in the Washington Declaration. Your committee recommends that members of synod adhere to this declaration.

4. Licensure. Your committee has had called to its attention that synod still practices licensure. The United Lutheran Church in convention in 1938 adopted a recommendation to discontinue the policy of licensure. Your committee recommends that synod conform to this policy by refraining from issuing of licenses.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred W. Young
FredW. Kern
J. B. Rupley, Sr.

A motion carried that the time for this session be extended until all business is completed.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for the place of the next meeting of Synod. The President declared Christ Lutheran Church, Davenport, Nebraska to be the place selected.

The following motion, presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher, was carried: "That after each congregation has paid 100% of its apportionment all payments on apportionment thereafter from that congregation be forwarded by the Treasurer of Synod, in their entirety, to the ULCA."

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Pastor Carl J. Olson. A motion carried that the recommendations be adopted.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Your Committee takes pleasure in submitting the following resolutions:

BE IT RESOLVED:

1. THAT we express our heartfelt gratitude and sincere appreciation to the Rev. George W. Miley, D. D., President of the Ohio Synod and the official Representative of the United Lutheran Church

in America, for the informative, inspirational and highly spiritual messages, which he delivered on the floor of Synod and at the Banquet on Tuesday, April 6th, and for his helpful guidance during the regular sessions.

2. THAT we express our deep appreciation to Pastor Monnich, the Council and Congregation of Trinity Lutheran Church for their hospitality and courtesies extended to the Synod and its visitors.

3. THAT we thank Mr. Marius Christensen, Miss Emarie Fraass and the Octette of Trinity Lutheran Church for their splendid contribution to the Banquet Program on Tuesday evening.

4. THAT we express our sincere appreciation of the presence of Dr. Gould Wickey and his great enthusiasm for Christian higher education.

5. THAT we also express our appreciation of Rev. Frank Brown's informative, moving and challenging message to Synod on the Lutheran World Action.

6. THAT we express our very sincere appreciation of the efficient and consecrated services rendered to the Synod by our esteemed retiring President, the Rev. J. C. Hershey, D. D., and that we wish him every blessing and success as he takes up his new duties at Falls City.

7. THAT we pledge our wholehearted co-operation and unreserved support to our new President, the Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, and wish him God's richest blessings in his very important office.

8. THAT Synod pay Trinity Lutheran Church $10.00 for janitor services.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl J. Olson (Chairman)
W. A. Klink
D. L. Tyrrell.

Pastor Gies, of the American Lutheran Church, who serves our congregation at Potter, Nebraska, was introduced to Synod.

A motion carried that all unfinished business be referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.

A motion carried that the Executive Committee arrange the time and place for the installation of the newly elected officers.

A motion carried to dispense with the Roll Call.

A motion carried to defer the reading of the Minutes for approval by the Executive Committee.

The formal closing of Synod was conducted by President J. C. Hershey.

These Minutes are certified to be the correct proceedings of the 76th Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(1947-1948)

The Executive Committee has held three meetings since the last meeting of Synod. Reports of the President and Treasurer were presented at each meeting. Principal items of business are outlined as follows.

May 13, 1947.

1. The Standing Committees required by the Constitution and the Special Committees were appointed. The Calendar for the 1948 Convention was tentatively arranged.
2. Among motions carried are the following:
   a. That President Hershey proceed according to our Synodical Constitution in the transfer of our St. Paul congregation of Hildreth to the Midwest Synod in the merger with the St. Peter congregation of the Midwest Synod.
   b. That we recommend to the Trustees of Tabitha Home that they cooperate as our representative with the Child Welfare agency of the Missouri Synod in the placement of children for adoption.
   c. That this committee recommend to the Executive Committee of the Synodical Brotherhood that the Annual Brotherhood Convention be held apart from the meeting of Synod.

August 13, 1947

3. A special meeting was held with the Executive Committee of the Midwest Synod for the purpose of completing arrangements for the transfer of St. Paul's congregation of Hildreth to the Midwest Synod in a merger of the two congregations of the respective Synods.

January 6, 1948

4. Rev. Wm. Goldbeck of the Bethphage Mission, Axtell, Nebr., appeared before the committee in behalf of Institutional Chaplaincy service in Nebraska. A motion carried that matters relating to a possible Institutional Chaplaincy program be tabled pending further discussion of the matter by the Synodical Presidents of the Nebraska and Midwest Synods.
5. A petition was received from the South Platte Conference requesting a re-alignment of Conference boundaries and the formation of a statement of purpose for Conferences. A motion carried that this matter be referred to the Committee on Conference Minutes and be brought before Synod for consideration.
6. The invitation to hold the meeting of Synod at Trinity Church, Sidney, the Reverend H. T. Monnich, Pastor, was accepted.
7. A motion carried that the Nebraska State Luther League be given $150 for promotional work. This in answer to a request for financial assistance to carry on promotional work.

Recommendations

1. This Committee recommends to Synod that a bonus of $1500 be given to Dr. Hershey upon his retirement from the presidency

of Synod.

2. Budget for 1949.

Section 1. Fixed Items

Salaries	$4,400
(Pres. $4000, Sec'y $150, Treas. $150. Statn. $100)	
Midland College ($1.05 per Communing Member)	14,584
Western Seminary (.25 per Communing Member)	3,474
President's Travel Expense	825
Missions	3,500
Beneficiary Education	500
Synodical Paper	750
General Expense Fund	400
Printing	300
Student Work	100
Young People's Camp	75
Auditor's Fees	35
Treasurer's Bond	10
Committee on Parish Life and Work	150
Total	29,103

Section 2. The Apportionment

The United Lutheran Church in America	$45,868
Tabitha Home	7,352
Total	$53,220
Grand Total	82,323

Theodore J. C. Schuldt, Sec'y.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

The following events have been brought to the attention of your Historian:

The dedication of the splendid new men's dormitory on the campus of Midland College in September. It stands as an evidence of leadership and of the devotion of congregations and individuals.

Salem Lutheran Church. Dakota County. The Rev. Herman Joens, pastor, celebrated its 75th anniversary with proper ceremonies on December 10th, in spite of adverse weather conditions. This congregation stands as a monument to the efforts of pioneer pastor J. Zimmerman, who organized the work in 1872.

The Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer, Omaha, the Rev. Harvey Clark, pastor, observed its 30th anniversary with a banquet on November 7th, with its first pastor, Dr. C. P. Harmon, as guest speaker; and on November 9th, with the Rev. K. de Freese, a former pastor, as the guest preacher.

No other celebrations have been reported.

Your Historian recommends that Synod take no action at this time regarding the proposed setting apart of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Dakota City, as a Christian shrine.

Respectfully submitted,

Leland H. Lesher

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGIST

No deaths have been reported among the ministerial membership of Synod during this year. We devoutly thank God for His continuing mercy and love.

Respectfully submitted,

Leland H. Lesher

J. C. Hershey, President,
Theodore J. C. Schuldt, Secretary.

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5	Benedict	Zion
6	Broadwater	United
7	Columbus	United
8	Dakota City	Emmanuel
9	Dakota City	Salem
10	Dalton	Trinity
11	Davenport	Christ's
12	Eagle	Trinity
13	Emerson	St. Lukes
14	Ericson *	First
15	Falls City	St. Paul's
16	Fremont	Salem
17	Grand Island	St. Paul's
18	Gurley	Grace
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20	Hardy	St. Paul's
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22	Homer	St. Paul's
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24	Hubbard	Trinity
25	Leigh	St. John's
26	Lewellen	Grace
27	Lincoln	Grace
28	McCool Junction	First
29	Nebraska City	First
30	North Platte	First
31	Omaha	First
32	Omaha	Grace
33	Omaha	Koenize Memorial
34	Omaha	Luther Memorial
35	Omaha	Redeemer
36	Omaha	St. Luke's
37	Omaha ***	St. Mark's
38	Oshkosh	St. Mark's
39	Paxton	Trinity
40	Ponca	Salem
41	Potter	First
42	Rising City	First
43	Scribner	United
44	Sidney	Trinity
45	Snyder	Immanuel
46	So. Sioux City	First
47	Spencer	United
48	Stamford	Trinity
49	Stella	Trinity
50	Sutherland	Grace
51	Tekamah	Emmanuel
52	Vacoma	St. John's
53	Verdon	St. Mark's
54	Walton	Grace
55	Wayne	St. Paul's
56	West Point	Grace
57	Wilber	First
58	Wolbach	Trinity
59	York	First

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** Hildreth, St. Pauls', transferred to Midwest Synod
*** Omaha, St. Marks: Disbanded

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Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	CONGREGATION	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION	ADDRESS: COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1945	Language Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	CONFIRMED: Number of Members	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	COMMUNING: Number of Members	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
1	Allen	First	1912	State Highway No. 9	Dixon	6	Cress, F. L.	Eng.	254	2	...	231	25	...	115	30	...	1
2	Auburn	St. Paul's	1884	21st and O Sts.	Nemaha	4	Hemke, F. W.	Eng.	845	62	...	549	39	...	380	30	...	2
3	Beatrice	Trinity	1883	9th and Elk Sts.	Gage	3	Mortensen, G. E.	Eng.	165	10	...	134	6	...	112	6	...	3
4	Bellevue	Immanuel	1945	24th and Franklin Sts.	Sarpy	4	Vacant	Eng.	121	12	...	62	6	...	45	...	...	4
5	Benedict	Zion	1881	Benedict	York	6	Saltzer, E. W.	Eng.	244	...	60	141	...	70	108	11	...	5
6	Broadwater	United	1934	Broadwater	Morrill	6	Simon, M. B.	Eng.	188	16	...	131	9	...	82	4	...	6
7	Columbus	United	1930	Columbus	Platte	4	Shiery, John	Eng.	168	23	...	121	22	...	107	22	...	7
8	Dakota City	Emmanuel	1858	Dakota City	Dakota	6	Vacant	Eng.	23	...	...	21	...	...	9	...	...	8
9	Dakota City	Salem	1872	3 mi. west of Dakota City	Dakota	6	Joen, H.	Eng.	399	12	...	268	12	...	136	...	31	9
10	Dalton	Trinity	1930	Dalton	Cheyenne	6	Bartels, R.	Eng.	191	10	...	143	7	...	106	18	...	10
11	Davenport	Christ's	1892	Davenport	Thayer	6	Damler, H.	Eng.	553	2	...	286	...	8	220	...	5	11
12	Eagle	Trinity	1893	Eagle	Cass	6	Pfeiffer, R. R.	Eng.	67	...	3	73	...	2	43	...	2	12
13	Emerson	St. Lukes	1911	Emerson	Dixon	6	Church closed	Eng.	685	15	...	350	...	...	282	3	...	13
14	Ericson *	First	1898	Ericson	Wheeler	6	Church closed	Eng.	...	...	47	...	...	27	...	...	16	14
15	Falls City	St. Paul's	1913	Falls City	Richardson	4	Vacant	Eng.	1026	18	...	731	...	2	468	...	84	15
16	Fremont	Salem	1902	E. Military Ave. & C St.	Dodge	3	Kern, F. W.	Eng.	1346	161	...	953	96	...	768	99	...	16
17	Grand Island	St. Paul's	1882	503 W. 2nd St.	Hall	3	Rupley, J. B. Sr.	Eng.	2989	178	...	2017	132	...	1305	95	...	17
18	Gurley	Grace	1916	Gurley	Cheyenne	6	Bartels, R.	Eng.	209	2	...	148	...	3	114	3	...	18
19	Hampton	Emmanuel	1916	Hampton	Hamilton	6	Rupley, K.	Eng.	138	2	...	94	...	2	47	...	14	19
20	Hardy	St. Paul's	1881	Hardy	Nuckolls	6	Gleim, H.	Eng.	168	20	...	109	14	...	63	...	...	20
21	Hildreth **	St. Paul's	1927	Hildreth	Franklin	6	Transferred Midwest Synod	Eng.	...	...	249	...	...	208	...	...	104	21
22	Homer	St. Paul's	1886	Homer	Dakota	5	Joens, H.	Eng.	405	19	...	348	17	...	119	...	38	22
23	Hooper	Grace	1915	Hooper	Dodge	5	DeFreese, Paul	Eng.	437	31	...	325	12	...	294	18	...	23
24	Hubbard	Trinity	1905	Hubbard	Dakota	6	Joens, H.	Eng.	215	4	...	173	2	...	47	15	...	24
25	Leigh	St. John's	1918	Leigh	Colfax	5	Glysted, Karl	Eng.	441	7	...	287	4	...	172	...	23	25
26	Lewellen	Grace	1906	Lewellen	Garden	6	Heidenreich, W. C	Eng.	229	14	...	110	8	...	59	9	...	26
27	Lincoln	Grace	1890	14th and F Sts.	Lancaster	2	Losher, L. H.	Eng.	1119	71	...	888	24	...	615	15	...	27
28	McCool Junction	First	1900	McCool Junction	York	6	Klink, W. A.	Eng.	263	...	4	177	...	6	132	...	4	28
29	Nebraska City	First	1866	3rd Corso and 9th St.	Otoe	4	Davis, R. V.	Eng.	418	2	...	302	35	...	172	2	...	29
30	North Platte	First	1880	5th and Sycamore	Lincoln	3	Rupley, J. B. Jr.	Eng.	1403	103	...	1093	73	...	621	15	...	30
31	Omaha	First	1907	2547 N. 62nd St.	Douglas	1	Young, A. W.	Eng.	648	...	6	408	7	...	244	9	...	31
32	Omaha	Grace	1889	1326 S. 26th St.	Douglas	1	Goede, H. Jr.	Eng.	253	76	...	217	56	...	217	56	...	32
33	Omaha	Kountze Memorial	1858	2606 Farnam St.	Douglas	1	Traub, W. H.	Eng.	6551	90	...	4780	33	...	2335	30	...	33
34	Omaha	Luther Memorial	1936	53rd and Seward Sts.	Douglas	1	Most, W. F.	Eng.	465	88	...	347	78	...	240	34	...	34
35	Omaha	Redeemer	1917	24th and Larimore Sts.	Douglas	1	Clark, Harvey	Eng.	1216	104	...	782	84	...	474	70	...	35
36	Omaha	St. Luke's	1905	24th and I Sts.	Douglas	1	Pinkall, A. H.	Eng.	1350	31	...	925	22	...	630	30	...	36
37	Omaha ***	St. Mark's	1886	20th and Burdette Sts.	Douglas	1	Di banded	Eng.	...	...	200	...	...	118	...	...	96	37
38	Oshkosh	St. Mark's	1906	Oshkosh	Garden	5	Heidenreich, W. C.	Eng.	181	24	...	123	13	...	54	9	...	38
39	Paxton	Trinity	1902	Paxton	Keith	5	Mortensen, E. C.	Eng.	413	4	...	276	...	2	193	10	...	39
40	Ponca	Salem	1866	Ponca	Dixon	5	Petersen, Erich C.	Eng.	417	...	15	312	...	11	201	5	...	40
41	Potter	First	1892	Potter	Cheyenne	6	Gies, W.	Eng.	126	29	...	80	12	...	64	29	...	41
42	Rising City	First	1881	Rising City	Butler	6	Vacant	Eng.	306	5	...	212	...	3	133	...	1	42
43	Scribner	United	1935	Scribner	Dodge	5	Jacobs, John	Eng.	335	12	...	268	14	...	154	14	...	43
44	Sidney	Trinity	1886	10th Ave. and Lincoln St.	Cheyenne	4	Mornrch, H.	Eng.	598	62	...	325	37	...	267	56	...	44
45	Snyder	Immanuel	1899	Snyder	Dodge	6	Jacobs, John	Eng.	70	...	46	60	...	25	47	...	8	45
46	So. Sioux City	First	1920	21st and A Sts.	Dakota	4	Meseer, J. E.	Eng.	925	78	...	607	35	...	340	10	...	46
47	Spencer	United	1930	Spencer	Boyd	5	Anderson, P. O.	Eng.	132	...	98	85	4	...	65	19	...	47
48	Stamford	Trinity	1888	Stamford	Harlan	6	Olsen, Carl J.	Eng.	187	6	...	159	1	...	131	...	2	48
49	Stella	Trinity	1884	Stella	Richardson	6	Miller, J. C.	Eng.	65	...	5	42	...	4	22	...	4	49
50	Sutherland	Grace	1902	Sutherland	Lincoln	5	Mortensen, E. C.	Eng.	85	3	...	34	2	...	16	...	...	50
51	Tekamah	Emmanuel	1858	12th and L Sts.	Burt	6	Wiegman, Paul	Eng.	291	37	...	175	13	...	151	31	...	51
52	Vacoma	St. John's	1893	11 miles east of Hooper	Washington	6	Wiegman, Paul	Eng.	105	...	1	68	...	4	48	2	...	52
53	Verdon	St. Mark's	1883	3½ mi. southwest of Verdon	Richardson	6	Miller, J. C.	Eng.	260	...	3	200	...	23	108	...	6	53
54	Walton	Grace	1916	Walton	Lancaster	6	Church closed	Eng.	186	...	23	149	...	75	57	...	29	54
55	Wayne	St. Paul's	1881	Wayne	Wayne	4	Schuldt, T. J. C.	Eng.	532	...	160	420	...	66	341	27	...	55
56	West Point	Grace	1874	West Point	Cuming	4	Vacant	Eng.	603	...	49	319	...	...	319	...	66	56
57	Wilber	First	1889	Wilbur	Saline	5	Cordts, H. C.	Eng.	353	...	...	175	...	...	65	...	...	57
58	Wolbach	Trinity	1903	Wolbach	Greeley	5	Harman, C. B.	Eng.	...	...	...	...	...	4	120	...	5	58
59	York	First	1927	8th St. and Grant Ave.	York	4	Klink, W. A.	Eng.	351	...	1	223	...	1	130	...	6	59
									19128	1460	970	22308	963	662	13897	834	544	1947
									31638	1001	1535	22007	735	1110	13607	833	315	1946
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									...	...	565	...	...	448	...	...	229	Dec

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*Figures taken from a previous report, no new report having been received

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| ORAL CHARGE (own and Congregation) | MEMBERSHIP | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | EDUCATION | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Index Number | GROUP ORGANIZATIONS | | | | | | | | FINANCIAL | | | | | | | |

	Language Used in Chief Service	MEMBERSHIP																															G.-L.	
		Child Members												Adult Members																				
					Accessions			Losses				G.-L.		Accessions					Losses				G.-L.												
		Baptised	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism	By Certificate	Total	Trans. by Confirm.	By Death	Otherwise	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism	By Confirm.	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss										Total Net Gain.	Total Net Loss
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	"	588	386	280	33	11	44	13			13	31		9	22	3	21	55	5			5	50										81	
	"	294	223	110	3	3	6					6		2	1	5	2	10					10										16	
	"	298	213	112				3		2	5		5	1	4	2		7	1	8		9		2										7
	"	261	176	119	10	2	12	6			6	6		12	7	7		26	1	5		6	20										26	
	"	188	126	84	5	4	9	2			2	7		1	2	2	2	7		1	5	6	1										8	
	"	25	23	7																														
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	"	548	317	215	8		8	11			11		3	2	9			11	6	8		14		3										6
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	Eng.	956	724	486	21	2	23	10	1		11	12			18	2		20	7			7	13										25	
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	"	235	192	97	3		3					3																						
	"	320	277	155	17		17	9	2		11	6		1	9			10	3	2		5	5										11	
	"	457	333	217	3		3					3		2	10		2	14	2	8		10	4										7	
	"	187	153	80	4	1	5	1		1	2	3			1			1		6		6		5										2
	E. & G.	371	228	166	3		3	1	1	3	5		2		1			1	1	4	3	8		7										9
	Eng.	194	95	52	5		5	5			5			1	5	1		7	1	5		6	1										1	
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	"	388	267	173	2		2	8		7	15		13	3	11	7	5	26		6	10	16	10											3
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